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Negro Testimony.

Our discussion of the subject of admitting the negro to testify in our courts has brought to the argument, which we publish elsewhere, from the Senator from Nelson, which is by no means as impregnable as the writer appears to think it. We do not propose to reproduce the arguments we have employed, but will briefly examine the points made by Senator Johnson.

He maintains that no injustice is done to the negro by his exclusion from the jury, and ingeniously suggests some cases in which his proposition is in one sense true, but he quite adroitly forgets to notice the fact that a jury might fail somewhere else than on the negro. In the first illustration he says that where two white men were engaged in a law suit, it would do the negro no injury to prevent his testifying in behalf of either, because he has no interest in the suit. It might, however, happen that his testimony would be of vast importance to one of the parties. In that case a white man and not a negro would be injured, and perhaps the ends of justice be defeated. Suppose, for illustration, that a white man in company with a negro encounters a white highwayman who robs, perhaps wounds the negro's companion. The testimony of the negro would be important, and if the wounded man died justice would be defeated if the negro was not allowed to testify. Thousands of such cases will naturally suggest themselves to the reader, and it is not necessary to multiply them to show that the interests of the white man as well as those of the negro are involved.

Again, negroes are now free, and are permitted to make contracts. A negro may make a contract with a white man in the presence of another negro who is the only witness. He then seeks to evade the contract, and the fact of the contract can only be established by the testimony of the negro witness. If he is not allowed to testify, a white man and not a negro is wronged.

It will readily be seen, therefore, that the object is not alone to benefit the negro, but that the white man has a large interest also. It is useless for Senator Johnson to argue, as he does, that the negro who is not allowed to testify in regard to his business affairs or wrongs perpetrated upon his person stands upon an equal footing in the courts and in the eye of the law with the white man. The simple statement of the proposition is the best illustration of its absurdity.

There can be no danger in permitting negro testimony to go to juries for they will weigh it and decide upon its value. The character of the witness for truth can always be investigated and his testimony be accepted or cast aside. His statements are by no means necessarily received as true, and intelligent jurors will usually be able to judge of the weight which should be given to the testimony.

Senator Johnson's argument hinges altogether upon the point that the negro is not wronged in any way by his exclusion from the witness stand, but he does not attempt to show that any one is benefitted thereby or that the policy of permitting him to testify is incorrect. Everything else in nature is admitted as evidence before civil tribunals upon the general and just principle that nothing should be rejected that can in the slightest degree aid in the elucidation of the truth. Animate and inanimate matter are called in: pistols, knives, pieces of paper, sticks, and stones, and even animals, have cut important figures in celebrated trials, and only a few years ago the murderer of young Merriwether, near Memphis, Tennessee, was convicted chiefly upon the evidence of the horse which Merriwether was riding at the time. If then we demand the evidence of everything else why not require that of the negro.

But one of the most potent reasons why negro testimony should be received is the fact that the legislation of Congress has already forced the policy upon us in the most offensive form. In the United States courts the negro's oath is received, and he is permitted to testify. The consequence is that upon the complaints of negroes making affidavit white men in all parts of the State are required to make their appearance here for trial at very great expense and loss of time. The Marshal who makes the arrest or serves the writ is entitled to mileage both ways. The witnesses must all come here, and they too are entitled to their fees, and if, upon the swearing of negro witnesses, a conviction is had or a judgment obtained, however small, the costs all fall upon the defendant, and in some instances he is ruined. On the other hand, if the negro could testify in the local courts, all of this expense and trouble would be averted. All the parties would be at home and the costs would be comparatively nothing.

Thus it will be seen that under our present laws it is the white man, and not the negro, who is the sufferer. Upon him fall the most serious inconveniences of the present system, and it is the white man who is most interested in bringing about the proposed change. The prejudices against negro testimony must vanish, way before these facts, for reflection will convince every intelligent man of the folly of adhering to a system which, though proper and necessary when the negro was a slave, has no applicability or appropriateness now.

Another Turn of the Screw.

The following general order from Brownlow's Adjutant General, just issued, is another turn of the screw of oppression, and another proof of the malignant rascality of the Brownlow administration. The miserable pretext that disturbances in the State, and the turbulence of what are called the "disloyal" necessitates the perpetration of the outrageous militia system, is a foul misrepresentation trumped up to justify the keeping of the militia in service that they may be employed as the instruments of Radical vengeance. There is nothing in the condition of affairs in the State requiring the employment of the militia, and none know it better than those who issued this order:

GENERAL COOPER'S ORDER IN REFERENCE TO THE CONDUCT OF CERTAIN SEDITIOUS PERSONS.

HEADQ'RS TENN. STATE GUARDS, }
NASHVILLE, August, 26, 1867. }

[CIRCULAR.]

1. The general commanding had hoped that the citizens of Tennessee would so demean themselves that the State troops would no longer be necessary for the protection of loyal citizens, and accordingly had ordered the muster out of the greater portion of the forces.

But reliable information having reached these Headquarters that the disloyal citizens, or outlaws, backed up by the aforesaid disloyal citizens, at or ten miles in Fentress, Pickett, Jackson, and various other portions of Middle and West Tennessee, have been threatening, and in many instances have used violence, to drive loyal and law-abiding citizens from their homes; forbearance in such cases is no longer a virtue, and there will be no more State troops disbanded, but on the contrary all loyal citizens will be protected until the disloyal citizens or outlaws are cowed within their rebellious and seditious conduct, and the parties who have been maltreated or driven in any way from their homes have either had some civil tribunal for the wrongs and grievances done them by these people, outlaws or disloyal citizens, and the commanding officer of Tennessee State Guards in any or all of those places will aid and assist, with all the forces under their command, if necessary, the civil officers in arresting and bringing to trial all such offenders, and will guard prisoners that may be committed to jail, that they may not be turned out or allowed to escape through the negligence of jailors.

The Tennessee State Guards will only be kept so long as disloyal citizens or rebel outlaws make it necessary for the protection of all loyal citizens.

It was the intention of the General Commanding to dispense with the most of the State Guards, so as to reduce the expenses of the State, but, so long as it is necessary, the troops will be kept, and disloyal taxpayers will help to bear the burthen.

By command of Joseph A. Cooper, Brigadier General Commanding.

L. B. GAMBLE, Lieut. and A. D. C.

Official Vote.

The official returns from every county in the State have been received at the Secretary's office. The following is the vote for Governor, as declared by the board, which was in session yesterday:

For Helm	90,025
For Barnes	5,969
For Kirkland	15,107
Whole vote of the State	127,231

Helm's majority over Barnes, 36,948; over Kirkland, 74,896; over both, 46,114.—Frankfort Yeoman, 29th.

NEW TOBACCO.—A hogshead of tobacco of this year's growth was sold at the Pekin warehouse yesterday. It was raised by Mr. W. F. Tolley, of Ballard county of this State, and brought $25 per hundred. Shipped by W. J. Barbee, of Paducah.

The Third Party Again in the Field.

——"The times have been
That when the brains were out the man would die,
And there an end."

We had reasonably supposed that after the complete demolition of the Third party in the late election, in which it cut no sort of a figure except a ridiculous one, and in which it exhibited a weakness which deprived it of all right to designate itself as anything more than a miserable faction, that respect for the world and a sense of shame would cause it to hide its insignificant head, and not attempt to trot the public longer or again with its feeble antics. But we were mistaken. Judge Kinkead, the late candidate for Governor, yesterday made his appearance, in a letter two and a half columns in length, in which he attempts to establish the propriety, and necessity too, of maintaining the organization of the party, and the obligation resting upon the members to stand firm to their colors and fight it out on that line.

Judge Kinkead's argument is based entirely upon a presumption which every intelligent man in the State knows to be utterly false, which is, that the Democratic party of the State is wedded to and insists upon the recognition of the doctrine of secession, and that it makes the glorification of the rebellion the test of its affiliation. This sort of claptrap is beneath a man of Judge Kinkead's high character, and although his party had no other capital to go on during the canvass, it should have been thrust aside as a tool thing upon the announcement of the result of the election. Neither the conventions, presses, candidates or orators of the Democratic party have been guilty of any word or act since the reorganization of the party on the 1st of May, 1865, which could be tortured into a demand for the recognition of the doctrine of secession, nor has any glorification of the rebellion been either insisted upon, asked for or hinted at. We concede that the party has not demanded that its members should denounce the rebellion and vilify those who were engaged in it, for the simple reason that quite a number of the party were engaged in the Confederate cause, which they were not prepared to admit was as damnable a thing as the Radicals professed to regard it. They had pledged their faith to the government to act the part of good and loyal citizens, and that was all that could reasonably be asked.

The Kentucky Democracy have felt from the first that they had a solemn and imperative duty to perform, and that was the overthrow of the Radicalism which was threatening the perpetuity of our form of government. Kentucky was divided between those who fought for and sympathized with the rebellion, and those who fought for and sympathized with the Union. If Radicalism were to be destroyed it must necessarily be done by the union of all Conservative men. Obviously this union could not be brought about if tests based upon war antecedents were to be made; consequently it was agreed that no such tests should be made, but that all Conservative men should be invited to participate in a movement which would put the Democracy of the North, which was heroically fighting the Radicals, in sympathy with Kentucky. This was the policy adopted.

In the first convention after the war the three leading candidates for the nomination of the party who had been Confederate officers were withdrawn and a gentleman who had had no connection with the rebellion was nominated. This did not look like either making secession or glorification of the rebellion tests of eligibility to office. On the contrary it was a flat and conclusive denial of any such charge. Neither did the convention which nominated our State ticket this year make any such tests. But two of the gentlemen nominated had had any connection with the war. One of these was a Confederate and the other a Federal officer. Not one of the gentlemen upon our Congressional ticket had had any connection with the Confederate cause. Our platform announced the principles upon which we based our organization, and upon which we prepared to fight the battle, but it contained no such doctrines, and more no such tests as Judge Kinkead asserts the party made and now make. Where, then, is the proof to be found of his loose and groundless charges? It is for him to answer. We assert, without the fear of contradiction, that they do not and never did exist. If they do not, then the whole fabric of the argument to show that the Third party would be required to sacrifice important principles, and that its members would be compelled to repudiate their loyalty to the Government, in order to unite with it, falls to the ground and amounts to nothing.

It will not do, the judge thinks, for the Third party, with its 13,000 voters, to go to the Democracy, for the reason that they are secessionists and glorifiers of the rebellion, but he urges the maintenance of the organization of the Third party upon the ground that if the Kentucky Democracy fight the battle with the Northern Democracy against Radicalism in the next Presidential election, we will be compelled to unite with the Third party to do it. The idea that the mountain would go to Mahomet was abandoned many long years ago and Mahomet was compelled to go to the mountain. And so it will be with the Third party.

But suppose that the ninety thousand Democrats who supported Governor Helm should agree to abandon their organization and act with the Third party, would not those in the North who have been misled into the belief that the Democratic party of Kentucky is a secession and rebellion-glorifying party, maintain that the Third party made up of ninety thousand rebels and rebel sympathizers, and only thirteen thousand so called loyal men was unworthy of confidence and not to be trusted? Most assuredly they would, and the conclusion though false would still be logical. For if the ninety thousand were secessionists and glorifiers of the rebellion, their merely acting with the thirteen thousand who constituted the Third party would not make them anything else; if they had been Confederate soldiers it would not remove the stigma or alter the fact with Northern men who believed the original slander. They would fairly argue that the smaller could not embrace the greater, and would turn their backs upon the political montebanks who should attempt to practice such a fraud upon them. The Judge's argument is, therefore, the very essence of futility.

Judge Kinkead says that "the defeat and overthrow of the Radical party is subsidiary to the object of us all." What more right has he to question the sincerity of that declaration on the part of the Kentucky Democracy, than we have to assert that he does not believe in his own argument or that he and his party are opening the road to the Radical camp? We have the right to demand that we shall be judged by our declarations and our acts—by our platform, our papers, and our speakers. None of these have given countenance to or furnished a pretext for the slanders which were invented to further the ends of party and which he repeats with so much mock solemnity.

If the Third party men are honest in their professions we are all working for the overthrow of Radicalism, and as we do not profess or put forward any principles which the Third party men do not admit they can indorse, there would be no sacrifice of principle on their part in uniting with us.

The appeal which the Judge makes to his party not to disband and part of them go to the Radicals and part to us, in a very full admission that his party is a mongrel concern made up of Democrats and Radicals. It is a matter of indifference to us whether they do what the Judge begs them so earnestly not to do or not. Half or such a squad would add but little to our strength or influence, while the other half going to the Radicals could not make them formidable. To each of the Third party as are disposed to act the part of patriots, we extend an earnest and cordial invitation to unite with us in our war against Radicalism. Whenever they discover that we are drifting toward secession or the glorification of the rebellion I will be very easy for them to

"Fold their tents like the Arabs,
And as silently steal away."

This letter does Judge Kinkead but little credit, and, we apprehend, will make no impression upon the public mind except to excite commiseration for one who recently rose in the estimation of his followers so unprecedented a programme.

Impeachment Again Threatened.

The failure of the Radicals to make out a case for the threatened impeachment of the President at the last session, had produced the impression that the matter had been dropped, and would not be further pressed or discussed. It was thought that the object of the originators of the movement to displace the President had been accomplished, and that it was only intended as a menace to compel him to desist from his opposition to their schemes. It was used with eminent success, but when the time came to execute the threat, it was found that the managers were indisposed to take any further steps. The fact, as was generally believed, was, that the test money which had been gathered up by the various smelling Congressional committees, was altogether insufficient to justify any report, and that its publication would have made the enemies of the President ridiculous, by showing the flimsiness of the grounds upon which their threats and arguments were based.

But it seems that this was a mistake, at least so far as the abandonment of the scheme was concerned. The independence of the President which the Radicals believed they had demolished with the club of impeachment, is once more manifesting itself, and Mr. Johnson is exhibiting decided indications of a purpose to have his own way in the exercise of his legitimate authority. He has dared to hurl defiance in their teeth by kicking Stanton from the war office and Sheridan from the command of the fifth military satrapy. They are amazed at his audacity and find that he has a little breath in his body and a little obstinacy yet. Such things of course are not to be tolerated. Consequently we see the threats of impeachment revived and are told that other measures for the early expulsion of the President from his office at the next session of Congress will be adopted. Whether the threat is merely used for the purpose of intimidation, or whether the Radical leaders have seriously determined to carry it into execution, it is impossible to say. There are certainly quite a number of them who believe that the scheme is both practicable and safe; that they can oust the President, and that they would be justified by their constituents in such action. It is immaterial to them that they have no case; that the evidence in their hands is not the merest bosh; or that the President has done nothing upon which they could base a charge which would not excite contempt. The only question with them is one of party policy. If the President is in their way, he must be moved: if he will submit to their dictation, and resign all of his authority, he can remain. But it is not certain that the majority of the leaders are not yet satisfied that an attempt to impeach the President would not result in failure and that it would not destroy their party. We were told during the last session of Congress that the facts in the hands of the committee did not in the judgment of a large number of the Radical members justify any steps toward impeachment, and that they were unwilling to proceed.

As we have said, the matter will be treated by them merely as a matter of party policy. The power is in their hands to impeach and depose the President, but in the question of what the true policy of the party is several important considerations are involved. The displacement of Mr. Johnson would make Ben Wade President. It is known that he is an aspirant for the next Presidential term, and it is feared by those who oppose his claims, or who have rival aspirations, that he would so shape his administration as to secure the nomination. Those who take this view will oppose impeachment unless they can be made to believe that the vital interests of the party hinge upon Mr. Johnson's impeachment. Under such a pressure they might be whipped in, but it is scarcely possible that such a crisis will arrive, and we therefore look for serious opposition from Radical members of Congress whenever the proposition is made. We are inclined to believe, first, that no articles of impeachment will be presented; and second, that if they are they will fail.

We see no indications in the recent conduct of President Johnson that he is at all alarmed by this threat, or that he will permit himself to be influenced by it. On the contrary, he seems resolute and unawed. He has in his administration thrown away many golden opportunities, and has yielded in some cases where he should have stood firm, but his present attitude is that of a man who has taken his position and determined to maintain it. We trust that in this opinion we may not find ourselves deceived.

☞ The Radicals must certainly be manufacturing falsehoods by machinery. Expert as they have always been they have not before been able to produce the quantity they are now turning out daily. We find in the Washington specials of the Cincinnati Gazette of yesterday the following batch: First, that the President was drunk when he furnished the correspondence between himself and Gen. Grant to the Herald for publication. The proof given for this charge is that he refused to furnish it to any other paper. Second, that he was guilty of falsehood in denying that there was any such correspondence the day before he furnished it for publication. Third, that he was guilty of a gross breach of military etiquette in furnishing the correspondence for publication at all. Fourth, That he was guilty of scandalous and ungentlemanly conduct in making public a letter marked "private." Fifth, That he has closed up the Bureau for arranging and collecting rebel archives in order that the records may no longer be used against rebels; and it is insinuated that he intends to destroy them. Sixth, That he has now and has had a corps of spies to watch the members of Congress who were collecting evidence for his impeachment, and that they are paid out of the secret service fund.

This is doing pretty well for one day, though it will no doubt be improved on as the machine wears a little smooth.

KENTUCKY STATE FAIR.—From the preparations being made we opine that this fair, which commences near this city on the 17th of September, will be one of the grandest exhibitions that has ever come off in this State. The Executive Board have selected the following committee, viz: Capt. Z. M. Sherley, J. B. Parks, and I. L. Hyatt, to visit the various county fairs, and especially the Shelby, which is in progress this week, and the Bardstown, which takes place next week following, to urge the stock men to bring their fine stock to compete for the very liberal premiums. We commend this committee to the kind attention of officers and visitors at these fairs.

Anonymous Writers.

We have time and again notified anonymous writers that their communications could not appear in the COURIER, still we receive more or less of them by every mail. They are very rarely read and never published. We desire a real name to accompany every communication, as a guaranty of the originality of the letter, and of the truth of the statements it contains.

Writers who are ashamed to acknowledge the authorship of their communications, must have some good reason for it.

Agricultural Exhibitions.

The following is a tabular list of State Fairs, with the time and place of exhibition, as far as they have been announced:

Amer. Pomological Soc., St. Louis	Sept.	11-14
California	Sept.	3-14
Canada West	Kingston	9-14
Iowa	Clinton	Oct. 1-4
Indiana	Terre Haute	Sep. 30-Oct 4
Illinois	Quincy	Sep. 24-Oct 3
Kentucky	Louisville	Sept. 17-20
Kansas	Lawrence	Sept. 24-27
Minnesota	Rochester	Sept. 1-4
Missouri	St. Louis	Oct. 7-12
Maryland	Baltimore	Oct. 29-31
Michigan	Detroit	Sept. 10-13
New Hampshire	Nashua	Sept. 10-12
New England	Providence	Sept. 5-6
New York	Buffalo	Sept. 30-Oct 4
Ohio	Dayton	Sept. 23-27
Pennsylvania	Pittsburg	Sept. 24-27
Vermont	Brattleboro	Oct. 1-3
Wisconsin	Madison	Sept. 23-26

☞ "Does a man have sensations after his head is cut off?"

This question is now being discussed in the newspaper press of the country, with no immediate prospect of a satisfactory solution. We notice that the whole matter is referred to Stanton.

The Disfranchisement of Whites by Negroes Justified by a Radical Organ.

The new constitution of the State of Maryland does not suit the Radicals. They assert that it discriminates in favor of rebels and against the blacks. It gives the negroes the right of testifying in the courts, but it leaves the right at the option of the Legislature. What the Radicals mean by discriminating in favor of rebels is simply that the constitution recognizes no distinction between one class of white citizens and another; precisely the policy adopted in Kentucky and which has produced such beneficent results.

The negro worshippers are not satisfied that their idol is protected in his civil rights and enjoys the advantages of a good and stable government, but they would make him a ruler in the land and put him into a position of political and social equality with the whites, and they are horrified that he is not permitted to vote, a business for which he is not qualified and about which he knows nothing.

The Philadelphia Evening Telegraph, a Radical organ, referring to the provisions of the Maryland Constitution exhibits its wild and reckless fanaticism in the following language:

South Carolina will soon be engaged in framing a constitution, and as her colored citizens are constitutionally commander the whites, let us suppose that the South Carolina colored men should follow the example set them by the Maryland Democrats, only putting the boot on the other leg, and should disfranchise all the whites. Won't they not have as good a right to do it as the Marylanders have to disfranchise the blacks? Would there be any essential injustice in the one case more than in the other? If there is no fundamental basis of equal rights in this matter, and the stronger may at will deprive the weaker of all political privileges and immunities, it is impossible to see why the blacks might not rightfully retaliate wherever they have a chance.

Such action as this in Maryland serves to bring out in bold relief the essential dishonesty and want of principle of Union Democracy. It pretends to great horror of the *injustice* of disfranchisement when its own partisans are touched, but deliberately turns around and disfranchises its opponents whenever it can command the power to do it. What is this but the most shameless disregard of principle? And what is it but the essential spirit of treachery which is the target's mark according to his strength—not according to right. Its whole tendency is to array community against community, and to sow broadcast the seeds of civil strife.

The question whether the blacks in South Carolina would not have as good a right to disfranchise all the whites in that State, as the whites in Maryland have to disfranchise the blacks, implies that the editor thinks that such disfranchisement, which would make South Carolina a negro colony, would be but fair retaliation, and at the same time exhibits the simplicity of the editor. In the case of Maryland there is no disfranchisement whatever. The constitution proposes merely to withhold the political and fraudulent privileges of the General Government and of the States in declining to recognize negroes as qualified for or entitled to vote. The theory always has been that this was a white man's government; that by his natural superiority and intelligence he was elevated above the negro, and that there was no process by which the two races could be made equal; that for these and other reasons the white man could give the negro a better government than he could make for himself, and that the white should therefore be the governing race. This was the original idea upon which the Government was based, and upon which it was administered until a very recent period. The heresy of negro equality, until a few years since, was most offensive to the people both North and South. How rapidly it has grown and spread is shown by such outpourings as those contained in the extract quoted.

Doubtless the author of the article when writing his tirades against slavery before the war insisted that it degraded and brutalized the negro, kept him in ignorance and moral and religious darkness, corrupted his mind and reduced him to the condition of the beasts which perish. Yet, he now proposes that this race, which has just emerged from such a condition, is qualified to discharge the duties of enlightened citizenship; and not only this, but that the superior race shall be made politically inferior. This is the true logic and tendency of Radicalism. It hesitates at no absurdity, and finds nothing too monstrous for its support. It rests in impracticable theories and shocks the intelligence of mankind by its excesses.

A more disgusting and abhorrent theory than that because the negroes are in the majority in South Carolina that, therefore, they should be permitted to disfranchise the whites and lord it over them could not be conceived; yet this Radical editor says "it is impossible to see why the blacks might not rightfully retaliate whenever they have a chance." Such is Radicalism.

More Territory.

Whatever may be said of the institutions of this country, no one can deny that our people have always had a strong appetite for dirt. They have reached out in every direction and laid their hands upon foreign territory, with very little scrupulousness and without the slightest remorse. They probably inherited this habit from their ancestors, who, from the earliest settlement of the country, were constantly stealing land from the Indians. We then purchased Florida from Spain, purchased the Louisiana territory from France, conquered New Mexico and California from Mexico, and still not satisfied, we purchase Sitka, which extends our boundaries to the North pole, from Russia, and for years we have been negotiating for possessions among the West India Islands. We have sought both to buy and steal. It was obvious that a great commercial nation like the United States required a depot and a secure harbor among the West India group. The eyes of our statesmen have consequently been fixed steadily in that direction. For many years the object of desire has been Samana, a peninsula on the northeast coast of St. Domingo, stretching from west to east thirty-two miles. It is eleven miles across at its greatest breadth, and is terminated at its east end by Cape Samana. Its highest land, which is Sugar Loaf Hill, is 1,933 feet above the level of the sea, and the Devil's Hill is 1,599 feet. There formerly existed a water communication through its west end separating it from the island of Hayti, which though now filled up could be easily reopened, so that what was formerly an island is now a peninsula. It is soil is extremely fertile, and to a great extent is covered with timber suited to ship building and cabinet work. It contains copper gold and bituminous coal. The population in 1824 was 1,721.

But it is for its geographical position and magnificent harbor that this acquisition has been regarded as specially desirable, and for which our Government has been negotiating for many years to acquire it. A standard geographical work says that Samana Bay is situated on the South side of the Peninsula of Samana, is forty-three miles in length East to West, by about eight miles broad. At its west end it receives the Yana, the largest river in the Dominican Republic. It forms one of the finest harbors in the world, and may be regarded as a most important maritime position in reference to the trade of the Gulf of Mexico, and the intercoastic routes across Central America, both in a commercial and military point of view.

We were prompted to write this article, and give this particular description by the telegraphic announcement in our paper of yesterday, that an agent of the Dominican government was on his way to the country to consummate the cession of the territory and bay described to the United States. Of course there will be money demanded and it will be a round sum. The amount is not even hinted at but there is no doubt that the price will be a good one. If however, we can buy seals, walruses and icebergs, we can certainly afford to make this purchase, which will secure a safe refuge for our shipping, give us a naval station and depot for supplies where we most need one, and a foothold from which we can if desirable extend our possessions in that quarter of the world. If a fair trade can be made we presume the purchase would be generally approved. It is not likely that the Democratic policy of the United States of acquiring all the land and bringing under its jurisdiction all the continents and islands, promontories and bits of the world will ever be abandoned, and it is not to be for of course our policy to buy cheap whenever the opportunity is presented.

☞ As a people we claim for ourselves a vast amount of intelligence and virtue, and we have boasted so long and so persistently of our free institutions that we have come to believe in them ourselves, and our belief has settled into a sort of political bigotry that nothing can shake. There is no doubt that the American people possess an average share of intelligence, and that they are "cute" at driving bargains, and, as a general thing, are wide awake upon all matters involving their own interest. But on one subject, and one of vital interest not only to each individual, but to the nation itself, the American citizen evinces an indifference not only foolish but absolutely criminal, a solitude to his listless lethargy concerning the affairs of his Government. In a republican government, where the power is derived from the people, and where every voter is in one sense an executive officer, it is the solemn duty of every good citizen to give at least one day in the year to his country, and by his counsels and his vote endeavor to secure for her responsible and respectable rulers. But the impression seems to be general, among our best citizens, that a good government once established will remain good and perpetual without any further care on the part of its founders. Forgetting that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty," they have suffered the government established by Jefferson and his able compeers, to fall into the hands of a set of stock jobbing politicians as opposite to character to our forefathers as holiness is to sin, or as the enlightened policy displayed by our early statesmen is opposite to the besotted fanaticism of the present rulers of the United States.

I not the fact humiliating as well as alarming that the terrible lessons of the late war failed to impress upon the minds of the voters of this State the importance of attending to their own interests. There are thirty-five thousand voters in Kentucky more or less, who have just emerged from the reign of Bardridge and other shoulder-strapped tyrants; who have suffered annoyance from bag orders, and other kindred edicts, and who are now laboring under the infliction of the Freedman's Bureau, but who yet lacked the energy to express their approbation or disapprobation of these proceedings by voting at our late election. Does a people so apathetic where their own interests are involved, deserve to be free? Have they any right to complain of the fetters which were fastened upon their restless limbs without their raising a discording voice, and without their even entering a silent protest by way of vote?

A moment's reflection must convince any sensible man that a speedy and radical reform in our governmental affairs is necessary to save us from speedy and certain destruction. The supine indifference with which the American people have suffered the impositions and indignities heaped upon them by those in power during the last five years, is something wonderful. We are riddled with a national debt more than we can pay, and now will ever be free, and it is safe to say that not one-half the money for which this debt has been incurred was expended in defraying the expenses of the government. The balance has found its way to the pockets of plunderers, army contractors, swindlers, and thieves, who did not deem it necessary to mask their robbery under the profession of legitimate business. Defalcation has followed defalcation, and robbery has succeeded robbery with such rapidity that the public mind has become accustomed to it, and is beginning to regard thievery as one of the high arts. At the commencement of the war some ten millions a day the Government money was stolen in New York City, but in ten days the net was obliterated from the public mind by a succession of brilliant robberies on a grander scale. Even the shallow investigations which were at first attempted were abandoned as needless trouble and expense. The fact is open and notorious, that public officers who have entered upon the duties of their office poor men, ascended to office ten year or two with princely fortunes. Of late, men hardly live in a style that non times the amount of their salary would maintain. Chase went into office with ten thousand dollars, and now pays taxes on seven hundred thousand dollars. Harlan, late Secretary of the Interior, became suddenly rich, and scores of instances might be cited where men are now rolling in wealth extorted from the people for revenue purposes and stolen from the revenue by the officers selected by the people.

These transactions are daily occurring under the nose of the "free enlightened American citizen," and yet he cannot spare time from his money making to vote. He permits a set of professional politicians, who make swindling a study, to usurp the affairs of State and extort his money from him in the shape of burdensome taxes.

One of two things is certain; the people must arouse themselves from their criminal apathy and sweep from office and from power the villainous crew which is now plotting in high places, or the country will be irretrievably and speedily ruined.

The Beauties of Military Rule.

Major General Pope, who once dated his dispatches from "Headquarters in the Saddle," and who made very good use of the saddle in getting away from General Lee, and who is now the autocrat of the Third Military Department, is running into a fog in his administration, from which it is probable he will not be able to find his way out. He knocks down and wipes out laws, and has not sense enough to put others in their place. He is like young Phaeton, who persuaded his daddy, the driver of the Charlot of the Sun, to let him have one whirl with the fiery steeds, and, by applying the whip somewhat recklessly, accomplished an equestrian success by getting the whole concern smashed to pieces.

He issued an order touching injunctions. The laws of Georgia prescribe how, when and by whom grand and petit jurors shall be drawn. Pope's order renders the execution of the law impossible and there can be no courts. He issued an order concerning legal advertisements and under it there can be no sheriff's sales, granting or dismissing administrators, or sales of real estate. He shuts up a college because a boy made a speech he did not like, and prohibited the payment of $8,000 due the college. Finding this could not be reopened the College, but still withholds the money and threatens to continue to withhold it unless the press of the State will discontinue their comments upon the Commanding General. These are some of the exercises of a man who has no more business ruling over white folks than an ape would have to be in charge of the British Museum.

Influence of the 1-3 Party Organ.

At the August election 1865 the Democratic majority in this Congressional District, where the Louisville Democrat, the organ of the ⅓ party, is published, was 8,288, there being a total vote polled of 14,923: and at the Congressional election in May, 1867, there being three candidates, each representing his party, Grover, Democrat, beats Jacob ⅓ party 4,343; Bullitt, Radical, 6,299; and both 3,38[illegible] there being 10,675 votes cast. At the August election 1867, there being three candidates as in May, Helm, Democrat, beats Kinkead ⅓ party 1,593; Barnes, Radical, 8,282, and both 6,380, in a total vote of 19,022. Thus our readers will see that from May to August, three months, the Democratic majority in this District has increased from 3,38[illegible] over all opposition, to 6,898; an increase of 3,307 votes, with a less number of votes polled in August than in May.

Again, in May, 1867, Grover, Democrat, beats Jacob, ⅓ party 4,343; and in August, Helm, Democrat, beats Kinkead ⅓ party 7,593, an increased Democratic majority of 3,251. Thus it appears that the ⅓ party, under the management of the Louisville Democrat, is becoming smaller by degrees, and beautifully less every day.

Tennessee "Loyalists."

It is a notorious fact that many of the creatures who are now Brownlow's most willing tools were out the commencement of the war the most violent and proscriptive "rebels" in the South. They were then for driving off all Union men and confiscating their property. And when the Southern army went South these same ardent loyalists were for destroying the crops and burning the cities to prevent them from falling into the hands of the "accursed Abolitionists." They followed the Southern army and stayed with it until the horses and mules became so poor that there was nothing to be made at stealing, when they returned to Tennessee, perjured themselves by taking the iron clad oath, and have ever since been prominent and officious in persecuting Conservatives and all who dare with Brownlow and have any property that can be confiscated, or stolen by any other proceeding.

We presume that this class of double-dyed traitors is not confined to Tennessee, and that the more Southern States are also afflicted with them to a greater or less extent. But we are personally cognizant of their existence in Tennessee, and wherever they are found they prove the greatest impediments in the way of a peaceful adjustment of the present difficulties, and constitute one of the greatest pests with which a brave and generous people are now afflicted.

GOV. HELM'S HEALTH.—We learn that Gov. Helm's health is still improving, and that, without a relapse, he will certainly be in Frankfort on or before the day of inauguration.

The Proscription of Radical Negroes.

When it was suggested by the Conservative press of Tennessee, after the recent election in that State, that employment should be refused to such negroes as permitted themselves to be used as the tools of the Radical leaders for the disfranchisement and oppression of those who were putting bread in their mouths, an universal howl of wrath and indignation went up from the Radical press of the Northern States. They could conceive of nothing so infamous and horrible, and when the suggestion was adopted to some extent and some negroes were discharged by their employers for having voted the Radical ticket, the Freedmen's Bureau stepped promptly forward and extended to them relief in the shape of board and lodging, thus offering a premium to idleness. Immediately it was proposed by the Radical leaders that a bill should be passed at the next session of Congress to confiscate the property of every employer who dared to discharge a freedman from employment, showing a clear desire and willingness on their part to subject the white population of the State to the whims and insolence of the negroes.

Now of course all this clamor about wronging and oppressing the negro in this connection is the most transparent hypocrisy. Those who are making it are excited because they see that the men of the South have discovered, and are about to trade, the only true road out of their present difficulties. They well know that so long as the negro is furnished with remunerative employment, and is thus enabled to enjoy the comforts of life in the South, he will not leave, but that if he is denied employment he must immigrate or starve. They also know that so long as the negro remains in the South and is allowed the right of suffrage, they can control his vote for the furtherance of their political schemes. Hence they denounce the policy which has just been inaugurated, and which, if persisted in, will afford the Southern people the desired relief, will strike from their limbs the political shackles which now bind them down, and release them from the humiliation and infamy of negro rule.

The method is entirely legitimate and no valid objection can be offered to it. The people of Tennessee—and the argument will apply with equal force to the other States so soon as they are admitted to the Union—find themselves disfranchised and held in subjection through the agency of negro votes. They are hopelessly prostrate so long as those voters remain in their respective States, and they are oppressed, insulted and downtrodden by a despotism which finds its principal strength in these votes. Who can argue without a blush that there is any obligation resting upon them to offer a premium in the shape of employment or any other shape for this class of voters, the source of all the evils which afflict them, to remain among them, and who can honestly deny their right to rid themselves of this pernicious influence by any legitimate means? If they can get white laborers to till their lands, men who are a matter of course would be opposed to negro rule, who can gainsay their right to do it? None but those who are willing to tolerate the most extreme and grinding despotism. The negroes cannot expect those upon whom they vote the most humiliating disabilities, and whom by their votes they subject to uncalculable insults, to be their friends or to aid them in any way whatever, and if they lose employment by thus wronging those who are feeding and clothing them, they have no right to complain. Men to whose rights and interests they are so systematically hostile they must expect to be hostile to them.

The practice of discharging laborers and operatives whose political action could not be made subservient to their employers, and the practice of threatening to refuse employment if the employe did not vote as the employer desired him to vote, is, and has been, one of the most common practices among Northern politicians for half a century. Every reading man knows that no operative in a Pennsylvania iron works or a New England cotton mill could hold his position for a day if he did not vote in accordance with the politics of his employer. And yet the men who have pursued this practice for so many years are now horror struck when the same thing is done in the Southern States. They required their employes to vote with them because their pecuniary interests would be affected and their profits cut down by the defeat of their party. The men of the South require the same thing for a more honorable and justifiable reason; because their rights and liberties are involved in the issue. If ever there was a justifying reason for proscribing men on account of their political opinions the Southern people surely have it, for only by so doing can they hope to escape the tyranny of the demagogues who are standing behind the negro and urging him on to the ruin of the whites and his own destruction.

Decency and Intelligence.

It is the ridiculous boast of the Radical party that it comprises the cream of the decency and intelligence of the country, while the Democratic party is made up of the scum and ignorance, and in this connection they usually make their flings at the Dutch and Irish in the strain of the late speech of Ben. Wade, who now is the head of their party and acting Vice President. We quote from his speech:

"If you will take the poor Irishman or other foreigner who comes here and knows nothing of our institutions; if you will permit him to vote after five years' residence, then I insist upon the same right for the other class of persons (the negroes.) * * * As a mass they (the negroes) are better qualified to discharge their duties under this Government than the great mass, equal to them in numbers, that we have always permitted to vote. * * * I am glad to say that those people to whom your Legislature has referred it to you to day, whether they shall be voters or not, are infinitely above the class I have alluded to in all that intelligence that qualifies men to vote right.

The decency of a man who could indulge in such remarks as these will be apparent to all, as well as the intelligence of the man who did not know better than to make them. Sumner too, in the Senate, and other distinguished members of the Radical party, by their tirades and billingsgate vituperations, illustrate the same point. Their harangues are usually characterized by the coarsest blackguardism and vituperation. Falsehood is one of their favorite instruments, and they use it freely to prove the decency of their party, as well as to gratify their vindictive malice. The speech of Ben. Wade the other day was one of the vilest and most disgusting exhibitions of indecency ever made by an American speaker. It was in the style of the drunken bar room bully, lacking the sense of sh

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RECEPTION OF GOV. BRAMLETTE.

THE PROGRAMME.

THE TRIP TO ELIZABETHTOWN.

Gov. Bramlette and suite will leave Frankfort this afternoon and will reach here at 7 o'clock this evening. He will be met on the road by his Honor Mayor Tompkert and the General Council, who will extend to him a cordial greeting and escort him to the lodge that is prepared for him at Willard's Hotel, where he will be entertained as the guest of the city.

On Tuesday morning at 8:10 o'clock, the Governor and suite, accompanied by Mayor Tompkert and the General Council, the Democratic Central Committee of the city, and citizens generally, will proceed to Elizabethtown in the train specially provided for them. After pronouncing his valedictory and witnessing the inauguration of his successor, he will return on the special train to the city and be escorted by Mayor Tompkert to the lodgings provided for him at the Louisville Hotel.

The Retiring Governor.

Governor Thomas E. Bramlette will tomorrow surrender his official powers to the distinguished gentleman chosen by the voice of Kentucky to succeed him. Although he advocated the election of another, we believe that he will welcome his successor with a sincere wish that his administration may prove a blessing to the people, and with a sincere desire to second all his efforts in that direction. The whole official career of the retiring Governor justifies this confidence. He held the office during four years of civil strife, when intestine feuds and all the lawlessness born of war, raged in the State and imposed upon its Executive difficulties and responsibilities such as never before surrounded a Governor of Kentucky. Discharging his duties amid circumstances of peculiar trial, it is meet that his political opponents shall cheerfully accord the praise which is his due, and judge with charity where they cannot applaud.

No State has been more fortunate in her selection of Governor than Kentucky. From the day when she first took her place as a State in the Union until the outbreak of the late war, her civil safety and prosperity were guarded by the high integrity of those who led, as their respective terms of office expired, surrendered their high trust with sustained hands to their successors, and borne with them to private life the confidence and affection of their people. No matter what dissension as to party politics existed or how high party feeling ran, the names of our Governors were never coupled with charges of official dishonor, law violated or duties evaded. Some of them statesmen, others warriors or judges of high distinction, and yet others elevated from the humble walks of life, they all were patriotic men who jealously guarded the honor of Kentucky, venerable her laws, loved her people, and owned no higher ambition than to so discharge their duties as to earn their approval.

It is no ordinary compliment to say that Gov. Bramlette deserves to be ranked high among his illustrious predecessors, and that while none of them entered the office under auspices less favorable to a charitable consideration of his acts, or discharged its duties under such trying circumstances, yet none of them retired with a larger share of the public confidence in his official integrity and in the sincerity of his devotion to the people of Kentucky.

Whatever may be thought of his opinions, or of the wisdom of his decisions, men of all parties give him credit for the most generous motives and the sincerest wish to do right. The greatest complaint that has been made of his administration, is founded on his lavish issue of executive pardons. Our jails were filled with men of all parties incarcerated for war crimes, and from a conscientious conviction that he could not otherwise restore peace to the State, the Governor has undoubtedly exercised his clemency upon the universal amnesty principle. Some people blame him for this, and hold him responsible for the Lynch law which has prevailed in portions of the State; but in view of the favorable contrast which our State presents to Tennessee and Missouri, we think the judgment harsh and premature.

It should not be forgotten that the criminal docket was never before so crowded with prosecutions growing out of the war, nor our jails so filled with criminals made such in many instances by the war. To have permitted these prosecutions would have made Kentucky the battle ground of innumerable guerrilla clans. To have adopted a general amnesty principle and carried it out without including some exceptional cases, would have required greater wisdom and minuter knowledge of human nature than any one man possesses. That he pardoned some who should have been punished, we grant; but we cannot see how the power could have been exercised to the extent demanded by the exigencies of the occasion without making some and perhaps many mistakes. We believe the policy was both magnanimous and wise. While in Tennessee and Missouri the vengeance of the victor became the law of the land it must be said to the ever lasting honor of Gov. Bramlette that, in times of bitterness and hostility, his clemency was so free in the considerate as to the smug man. If he erred in going to the extent he did, the harsh est verdict that can be pronounced must still be that it was the honest error of a goodhearted and conscientious officer.

There can be no doubt that Governor Bramlette incurred a share of the odium which justly attaches to the military measures by which the will of the people was in a measure suppressed when he was elected. But by no act of his, since his inauguration, has he shown the slightest sympathy with any such measures. No peaceful citizen has ever had cause to dread the executive power in his hands, and his steadiest opponents came at last to confide in his anxious zeal for their personal enjoyment of their rights, while they learned to respect the earnestness with which he used the little power of his position to protect the State from the evil designs of those with whom he had been politically associated.

It is well known that Governor Bramlette has not been our political guide; but, while we have opposed him in politics, we have tried to judge him justly, and we give it as our opinion that the political liberality which pervades Kentucky, the kindness between union and rebel soldiers, the general good feeling which insures peace and conservatism in the results, in a great measure, of the course he has pursued. When that course is compared with that of the war Governors of Tennessee and Missouri, it challenges the admiration of every just man, and the contrasted results redound to the honor of our State.

Governor Bramlette has shown himself a patriotic, generous, and high-minded Kentucky gentleman. As such he will retire to private life with the best wishes of men of all parties for his happiness and prosperity. En joying the kind regards of the people, and their confidence in the purity of his motives, he can well afford to refer the wisdom of his political views, and of his official conduct, to the logic of events and to the impartial verdict of after times.

☞ We are much gratified at the disposition evinced by our people to pay proper respect to Governor Bramlette, on his retirement from the office he has filled with such distinguished credit to himself and to such honor and benefit to the State. When he removes here he will find hosts of friends ready to extend him a cordial greeting to his new home.

☞ The great Bourbon Fair will take place this week, and ranking as it always does, first, the exhibition this season promises to be of surpassing interest. There will be a hop at the Bourbon House every night during the fair, and visitors will receive a genuine old Kentucky welcome.

☞ The members of the General Council will meet at Mayor Tompkert's office this evening, at 6 o'clock, and proceed, in carriages provided for them, to meet Governor Bramlette on the arrival of the Frankfort train, and escort him to his lodgings.

☞ Elizabethtown will have a larger crowd to morrow than is usually seen there. We understand there will be a general moving in that direction of persons on the line of railroads within convenient reach of the place.

☞ Through trains are now running between Hickman, Kentucky, and Nashville, Tennessee.

The Cotton Crop—Its Prospects.

The vast importance of the cotton crop of the Southern States upon the business of the country and the commerce of the world, gives a high degree of interest to it from the planting to the picking. There is no one who is not interested in it, for the reason that cotton is an article of universal consumption, and a short crop advances the price while a full crop makes it cheap. It has more real cash value, by which we mean that it enters more into the commercial operations of the world, than any other crop. Of course no one now looks for any such crops as were raised before the war. The South has been impoverished; its great labor system has been destroyed, and only partially replaced; the capital to conduct planting operations is wanting, as well as the necessary implements, and food has been scarce. The freedman works only when it suits him, and is altogether unreliable. Besides this, the crop is subject to many contingencies, any of which materially affect the quantity produced.

Last year the crop was a partial failure, and the effect upon both sections of the country was disastrous. Louisville felt the effects to a very serious extent, and its trade in every department languished.

For these reasons, as we have remarked, the prospects of the crop are watched with eager interest. Reports from the cotton-growing sections at the opening of the season indicated that a much larger crop would be raised this year than last. The planters were planting a greater breadth of ground, the freedmen had begun to understand that they must work or starve, and the season was propitious. Everything looked flattering. If the crop escaped the several contingencies to which it was liable an immense amount would be raised, and streams of wealth would pour into the country to relieve the distress of the people and to repair the wastes and devastations of the war. There was but one drawback and that was the want of capital with which to operate. The disturbed condition of the country and the uncertainty in regard to the future status of the cotton growing States and people repelled both labor and capital. Men with capital did not rush to invest. It in property which might become the object of confiscation so fiercely and confidently threatened and the title of immigration was turned from States where there was no law except the will of a military despot. In addition to this, thousands of enterprising Northern men, who passed into the South last year and invested their capital in the cultivation of cotton, were either ruined or disgusted by their illnesses, and if they had any capital left they withdrew it and embarked it in some other business more certain, though, perhaps, not promising such heavy returns.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks the prospect was flattering, and high hopes were entertained. We wish that we could say that these hopes had all been fulfilled, but we cannot. In many portions of the cotton growing region drouth and the ravages of that deadly enemy of the crop, the worm, have materially effected the quantity which will be produced, though these causes have not yet necessitated the damage which was at first apprehended. The complaints are not general, and only come from a few localities of inconsiderable extent. As a general thing the prospect is still good for an average crop. We make the following brief summary from our reports from the several cotton growing States:

In North Carolina the cotton crop is reported to have been doing moderately well previous to late very heavy rains, which it is feared will injure it to some extent; the effect of rains, however, generally depends upon their continuing for some time, and it is therefore hoped that fine weather will repair most of the damage done.

In South Carolina the reports are favorable, perhaps more uniformly so from all the different counties than in any other State.

In Georgia the reports are also favorable, neither the worms nor the rains having done any great damage as yet.

In Alabama the reports are hardly as good, the rains have passed without working any great injury, but the worm has made its appearance and planters very much fear its ravages—some reports, however, from Montgomery are very flattering.

In Florida incessant rains which were still prevailing at the date of latest news, it was feared would injure the crop both in quantity and quality.

In Mississippi the reports from the northern and central portions of the State are good, but in the southern sections the worm is much complained of.

In Louisiana the reports of ravages by the worm are very bad—the district in the vicinity of Shreveport forms an exception to this rule. In some localities the crop is reported to be entirely destroyed.

In Texas accounts are also quite unfavorable, from the lower counties the reports of ravages by the worm are unusually discouraging, and some parties think it doubtful if more than half a crop will be secured.

In Arkansas and Tennessee reports are favorable, the cotton in reported in good condition, though hardly as much land as usual is under cultivation.

Taking the reports altogether they are less favorable, especially from the largest cotton growing States, than they were at this time last year.

It is too early, however, to make any positive calculations upon the crop for the reason that it is still exposed to many accidents, a drouth of considerable duration or a second crop of worms might be productive of serious consequences, but it is to be hoped that these things will not occur, and that such a crop will be produced as will rejuvenate trade through all of its thousand arteries and go far to restore the shattered fortunes of the men of the South who are now laboring with such manly energy.

The Long Agony Over.

After a vast amount of guessing and speculation and multiplied columns of contradictory telegraphic dispatches, on the question of the position of Gen. Sheridan and the probability of his removal, the long agony is over. Our dispatches this morning contain the order from the War Department assigning Gen. Hancock to the command of Sheridan's district, and ordering Sheridan to Fort Leavenworth.

It has been known for several days that the President had ordered Sheridan's removal, but it was stated that General Grant did not recognize the right of the President to remove the department commanders, and refused to issue the order. The result shows that this statement was not true. The question of the President's authority over the department commanders is now settled. He has throttled two of the military tyrants, and it is likely that these examples will put the others on their good behavior, and make them more cautious how they usurp powers not belonging to them. The effect will unquestionably be wholesome.

The Department Commanders had got the idea into their heads that Congress had stripped the President of all his powers and that they were out of his reach. But he has shown them that he has an arm long enough and firm enough to collar them in the midst of their unlawful exploits and drag them from their places.

Sheridan will now have an opportunity amid the wilds of Kansas, of reflecting upon the mutability of human affairs, and of giving the Indians, who just now seem to be needing some such teacher as he is, a taste of his overbearing and irascible disposition. Sickles will now have time to ride about in his four-horse carriage and smoke cigars, which will not be as damaging to the public interests as his petty tyranny and his interference with the fate of the Supreme Court.

☞ An animal six inches long, with scales like a fish, has been removed from the stomach of a young lady in Jefferson, Ohio.—Exchange.

We don't object to these proceedings, for we have no doubt that many of these scaly devils would get into Congress, were nature suffered to take its course. There are plenty of precedents.

We wish that Stevens and Sickles and Stanton had been thus early "removed."

Philoprana.

We publish this morning the conclusion of the very interesting story, translated from the French for the COURIER. Those who wish the first parts of the story can yet be supplied with back numbers of the paper containing it, by applying at our counting room.

The editor of the Democrat may be humble, as he says he is, "to see the difference between permitting a negro to testify against a white man, and permitting him to sit on juries and exercise the elective franchise." If he can see no difference it is his misfortune, and the great majority of the people have the advantage of him. We are satisfied that upon more mature reflection his eyes will be opened.

DEATH OF A KENTUCKIAN IN TEXAS.—The McKinney (Texas) Enquirer of the 10th inst. announces the death of Hon. R. L. Waddell, formerly a member of Congress, who emigrated from this State, Ky., in 1856 or 1857.

The Admission of Negro Testimony.

Notwithstanding the obvious necessity of changing our laws on the subject of negro testimony, which we think we have very conclusively shown in preceeding articles, there are some so blind that they will not recognize the justice of the policy, or who are so prejudiced, that they will not admit it. They cling to the forms and practices and laws which were adapted to the condition of slavery, but which have no force or relevancy now with dogged tenacity, and seem to think that the whole frame work of society will be broken up if the negro is permitted to testify in our courts.

We notice that our article have brought out a response from our usually able and sensible contemporary of the Bowling Green Democrat. The editor seems to be perfectly impracticable upon this subject and criticises our position with no little severity.

The Gazette thinks that our articles on this subject have been dictated by "a tender consideration for the unfortunate negroes lately set free;" are calculated to work evil rather than good to both races, and appeals to our "sober second thought." We can assure our contemporary that motives of a very different character from those he ascribes controlled us in the adoption of the position we now occupy. We have regarded the subject with reference to the interests of both races and a sound public policy. We have reached the conclusion that the rights and interests of the white race are as much involved in the question as those of the blacks, and have treated it outside as well as inside of the fact that whether we assent to the policy or not it will inevitably be fixed upon us.

In considering a question of this magnitude and importance it is proper to discard prejudice, and to reach the truth it is absolutely necessary to do it. We must not now look upon the enfranchised negro as a slave to which the same laws are applicable, but we must recognize the fact that he is free and legislate for him and ourselves accordingly. His civil rights having been changed, the laws concerning him must also be changed to correspond with his new condition. As he has by his enfranchisement acquired the legal right to make contracts we must have laws to compel him to be faithful to his contracts. As he has acquired the right to hold property, we must have laws to protect him in that right. This every one will admit is only simple justice. So too, we must adapt all of our laws to his changed condition.

It is the plight of folly to argue as the article upon which we are commenting does, that the same reasons that excluded negro testimony against the white man while the negro was in a state of slavery still exist. The Democrat argues that in a condition of slavery the negro was under a healthy moral restraint and could be controlled by his master, and that therefore it was safer to let him testify then than now when in a state of freedom. Did it ever occur to the editor that the fact that the negro was under the absolute control of his master was the principal reason of his excluding his testimony from the courts? It was not merely to prevent him from revenging himself upon his master, for real or fancied injuries, by bearing false witness against him, that his testimony was excluded, for the negro knew that the master would have opportunities running through his whole life to retaliate upon him, and this apprehension would always restrain him; but it was because the master having absolute control of him could compel him to swear against others for his own benefit. For instance, two neighbors might become involved in a controversy either of a personal or pecuniary nature. One owned negroes and the other had none. The slave owner wishing to do injustice to his neighbor, if negroes were permitted to testify, could bring twenty, fifty or one hundred slaves into court instructed as to the evidence they should give, and put their oath against the unsupported testimony of the neighbor who was to be wronged thereby.

To revenge himself upon his non-slaveholding neighbor the slave owner might charge him with hog stealing, arson, murder or any other crime, and bring in his slaves to prove it, they being compelled to testify as he directed.

Again, under the system of slavery the slave usually lived with his master upon the plantation, and the master had him under his eye, saw that he was not wronged, and was in all cases his protector and avenger. Now the case is changed. He has no protection but the law, and if he is not permitted to testify he is at the mercy of any ruffian or robber who chooses to assail him when there are no white witnesses present. Consequently the right to testify is an important one; in fact one of the necessities of his existence.

It is certain that the negro will soon learn the consequences of false swearing, and will be as careful to avoid them as the white man, and his knowledge of the superior intelligence of the white man, and his shrewdness in detecting falsehoods, will be an additional restraint, and check any disposition to testify to anything but the truth. Juries now are the judges of the credibility of witnesses, and the general character of a witness for truth and veracity can always be investigated.

To admit the negro to the witness stand is not, as the Bowling Green Democrat asserts, any recognition of the equality at races, any more than the acceptance of things which have filled up the missing links in the chain of so many notable cases of circumstantial evidence. The negro's testimony will be accepted for what it is worth and nothing more.

But we maintain as we have maintained throughout the discussion of this subject that the rights of the white man are equally involved with those of the negro in this policy. There are thousands of cases in which the negro might not have any interest in testifying or any desire to do it where the refusal to receive his testimony might work serious injury to white men and defeat the ends of justice. In communities where there are a large number of negroes, as in the Southern States, innumerable controversies are likely to arise between white men to which negroes will be the only witnesses, and in regard to which without their evidence the courts will be liable to give erroneous decisions. These negro witnesses being familiar with the facts, and knowing the decisions to be wrong, will soon acquire a contempt for the administration of the law, and relying upon its uncertainty be led to believe that in the commission of crime they have immunity from punishment. Thus while justice is defeated crime will be increased.

But the Democrat says that "the Civil Rights Bill is not a rule of action for our own State courts in matters involving the admissibility of evidence, as has been lately decided in our Court of Appeals by Justice Robertson in the case of W. J. Bowlin vs. the Commonwealth. Congress has no constitutional power to interfere with these matters, and there is no danger of conflict between the Federal and State authorities on these points." And this is asserted in the face of the notorious fact that Congress has already interfered, and that whether it has any constitutional right to do it or not, it has imposed the rule upon us, which we can neither evade nor repeal.

Negro testimony is daily received and acted upon in the Federal courts, and it is very poor consolation to a man who is arrested in Hickman county, or some point still further remote, and compelled to come to Louisville to the Federal court, upon the testimony of a negro, to answer to some frivolous offense, and be subjected to the expense of officers fees and fees and mileage for witnesses for that great distance, to tell him that Justice Robertson has decided that the civil rights bill does not apply to our local courts. That is the very reason why he is subjected to all this unnecessary trouble, loss of time and expense. The Federal courts being the only ones in which negroes are allowed to testify the Government has determined and enacted that until he is allowed to testify in the local courts, all alleged offences against him shall be tried in the Federal Courts. If the negro was allowed to testify in the local courts he would be compelled to file his complaints in the county where the alleged offences against him were committed, where his own character as well as that of the defendant was known, and where the case could be speedily and cheaply decided; and so long as the laws of Congress place it in the power of a negro to put any white man to all of this inconvenience which could be avoided by permitting the negro to testify in the local courts, are we not hitting our nose off to spite our face by refusing to make him a witness in the local courts?

The editor of the Democrat may be humble, as he says he is, "to see the difference between permitting a negro to testify against a white man, and permitting him to sit on juries and exercise the elective franchise." If he can see no difference it is his misfortune, and the great majority of the people have the advantage of him. We are satisfied that upon more mature reflection his eyes will be opened.

CUPID AND ST. CRISPIN.

One Damsel, Two Lovers and Many Glasses of Lager Breed a Fight.

A SMALL TEUTONIC WAR.

The railroad of Love generally runs smoothly, except when jealousy places obstructions upon the track, then an accident—sometimes of a serious and sometimes of a comic nature—is certain to occur. We were a witness of one of the latter yesterday afternoon, which deserves to be recorded, if for no other purpose than to show Dan Cupid up in the character of a clown.

Coming up Market street yesterday evening we were met by a couple of our Teutonic friends—two as good-hearted, jovial blades as ever swigged lager or chewed pretzel—who, to all appearance, had been pouring libations down their throats to the memory and honor of St. Gambrinus. One was of the lank and jolly type, overflowing with good humor and beer, the other made no pre his lack of obesity by a redundancy of whiskers and hair to behold. They both, as soon as they saw us, approached with out-stretched hands, and their countenances illumined with smiles like two meadows beneath an April morning's sun, and inserted upon our accompanying them into a beer saloon to the purpose of indulging in a glass. As our strict temperance habits forbade the indulgence, we declined to excuse ourself. But expostulation were unavailing. German obstinacy and lager beer, when well mixed, are hard to contend against. We found the combination impossible to resist, and putting the best face we could upon the "force of circumstances hey and our control," accompanied them into a saloon. What transpired there in the drinking line nobody but ourselves but ourselves can know. We should have stated that our friends are disciples of St. Crispin. We make the assertion now, in order "to vindicate the truth of history." We had been seated but a short time at a table, when a dispute arose between our friends about a fair young German girl to whom, it seems, both were paying their addresses. As the beer flowed freely angry words waxed high, and we began to think that the end would leave us sole possessor of the field. At last matters reached a pitch, wherein words were like the tufts of grass flung by the humane old gentleman at the naughty boys up in his apple tree. Blows became the order of the day. Fatty struck out at Lean with his right, missed him, and planted a sockdologer upon the pictured proboscis of the lamented Umbolanus, laying against the wall. Lean returned the compliment by feeling for Fatty's eye with his left, which caught a beer glass stood on the handle, and sent it in pieces to the floor. First blood for the beer glass. Fatty then made for the provision basket of Lean ram fashion. Lean played the drop game, and Fatty's head came in collision with the door-post, sending him back upon his haunches considerably stunned. Fatty knock down for the door-post. The timbered head of Lean came in contact with the counter of beer. We performed the same office for Lean. Just as the champions were about to engage in another round, a mutual friend stepped in dressed up in his Sunday best, and wearing a wedding favor in his buttonhole. The latter object caught the eyes of the belligerent rivals at the same moment, when the following conversation occurred:

Fatty, { "Who's pen married, Hans?
Lean, {
Hans—Katchie —."
Fatty, { "Der tuyfal."
Lean, {
Hans—"Nixder tuyful, but Katrine —."
Fatty, { "Ven?"
Lean, {
Hans—"Pout an hour ago."
Fatty—"Lean, I'se peen von damn fool."
Lean—"No, Fatty, I'se peen von damn fool."
Fatty—"Den we's both peen von damn fool."
Lean—"Vas."
Fatty—"Let's all take some lager, and forget all 'pout te gal.'"
Lean—"Dat's vot I say."

And as Fatty, Lean and Hans buried their faces in huge flagons of the foaming beverage, we stole quietly away to our sanctum in order to write this veracious account of the terrific combat.

The Latest Sensation.

Since the papers of the Northwest killed off the lake monster, the lovers of the horrific have been on a short allowance of sensational food. We thought at the time the rash reporter of the Chicago Tribune took the life of the pet of lake Michigan that he was killing the goose that laid golden eggs for his readers. When the beloved monster was alive and kicking, it was his wont to lash the waves out of whatever body of water he happened to be in, "into a tempest," and scream and groan, O, so beautifully. But now death lies on him like an untimely rock upon the dumbest snake in all the world, and now the Chicago papers have nothing in them but the ordinary occurences of every-day life in that city, such as murders, rapes, robberies, and the customary divorce cases.

St. Louis, however, is coming up in the sensational line. In that city they have a wonderful boy, who is so good as to suffer him self to be seen in several places at the same time. His ubiquity is gravely vouched for by the usual number of respectable names, and the usual number of tools are highly excited about him. He has been seen at Paducah, St Louis, and a small town in the interior of Illinois at the, same time, and for aught we know by the same persons.

We have no particular objection to this multitude of boy appearing wherever and whenever he pleases on earth, but do object to his appearance in all the papers of the same time, each claiming him as original and local, lug him at the most convenient points. It is exceedingly bothersome to a news editor hunting for veracious items.

It will be gratifying to our readers to learn that this multifarious boy is strongly anti-Radical and unalterably opposed to the abolition of slavery. He is also dead set against the admission of negro testimony.

THE OFFICIAL VOTE OF THE STATE.

We give below as compiled from the official returns, the total vote and the majorities of the respective candidates over their competitors:

FOR GOVERNOR.

Helm	99,255
Garnes	57,763
Kinkead	15,161

Helm's majority over Barnes, 56,286; over Kinkead, 77,068; over both, 43,119.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Stevenson	85,252
Baker	57,395
Taylor	14,339

Stevenson over Baker, 56,715; over Taylor, 76,743; over both, 41,214.

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Rodman	86,745
Brown	57,981
Harlan	14,777

Rodman over Brown, 54,762; over Harlan, 74,366; over both, 42,985.

AUDITOR.

Smith	86,592
Adams	72,468
Hurtt	14,341

Smith over Adams, 57,893; over Hurtt, 72,045; over both, 42,577.

TREASURER

Tate	85,744
Roark	57,084
Allen	14,588

Tate over Roark, 54,660; over Allen, 71,156, over both, 43,072

REGISTER LAND OFFICE.

Dawson	85,817
Fidler	57,158
Craddock	14,966

Dawson over Fidler, 54,659; over Craddock, 74,824; over both, 43,686

SUPERINTENDENT PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

Smith	86,248
Stevenson	57,578
Harney	14,068

Smith over Stevenson, 54,670; over Harney, 72,210; over both, 43,512.

Third Congressional District.

Official vote for Congress in the Third District at the special August election, 1867:

Counties.	Thomas.	Lewis.	Hall.	Aggregate.
Allen	141	101	76	66
Barren	1,091	99	192	73
Clinton	85	81	15	100
Cumberland	125	81	5	100
Hart	818	40	41	100
Logan	1,021	5	317	100
Monroe	941	99	10	100
Metcalfe	440	21	39	100
Russell	341	258	60	2
Simpson	295	181	220	100
Todd	766	15	45	100
Warren	1,578	77	322	4
	6,919	861	1,145	42

Michigan.

They have a new constitution in Michigan giving married women absolute control of their own property during marriage. This is all well enough, but we should like to have an amendment added giving the people of the South control of the property stolen from them by the Michigan troops during the war.

Michigan may have some most men with in her borders. She ought to have for she did not lose one during the war. And it may be that she has some others and soldiers in the late war that would not steal, but we never saw one of that sort, and we have never been able to hear of one.

FATAL AFFRAY AT LEXINGTON.—Last evening and —Atchison had an altercation in Lexington on Saturday, during which the latter was shot in the side, dying in a few minutes.

The Official Vote.

Elsewhere we reproduce our table at the vote for Governor, corrected to correspond with the vote as officially declared by the Board of Canvassers. We omit the vote for the other State officers, and content ourselves with publishing the official certificates here with, as also those for Judges, Commonwealth Attorneys, &c.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
August 28, 1867.

We, Thomas E. Bramlette, Governor, John S. Van Winkle, Secretary of State, and Wm. T. Samuels, Auditor, certify that we have this day examined the returns from the several counties of this State of the election of Governor, and find John L. Helm received 99,255 votes, Stephen F. Barnes received 57,763 votes, and W. B. Kinkead received 15,161 votes.

Whereupon John L. Helm, having received a majority of the votes given at the election on the 5th day of the present year and month, is duly elected Governor for the period fixed by the Constitution.

THOS. E. BRAMLETTE,
Governor.
JOHN S. VAN WINKLE,
Secretary of State.
WM. T. SAMUELS,
Auditor.

Attest: JAMES R. PAGE,
Assistant Secretary.

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We, Thomas E. Bramlette, Governor, John S. Van Winkle, Secretary of State, and Wm. T. Samuels, Auditor, certify that we have this day examined the returns from the several counties of this State of the election of Register of the Land Office, and find that John D. Howard received 86,592 votes, J. M. Fidler received 57,158 votes, and A. J. Craddock received 14,965 votes.

Whereupon A. Dawson, having received a majority of the votes given at the election held on the 5th day of August, 1867, is duly elected Register of the Land Office for the period fixed by the Constitution.

THOS. E. BRAMLETTE,
Governor.
JOHN S. VAN WINKLE,
Secretary of State.
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Attest: JAMES R. PAGE,
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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
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August 28th, 1867.

We, Thos. E. Bramlette, Governor, John S. Van Winkle, Secretary of State, and W. T. Samuels, Auditor, certify that we have this day examined the returns from the several counties of this State of the election of Attorney General, and find that John Rodman received 86,745 votes, J. Marion Brown received 57,981 votes, and Wm. Harlan received 14,777 votes.

Whereupon, John Rodman, having received a majority of the votes given at the election held on the 5th day of August, 1867, is duly elected Attorney General for the Commonwealth for the period fixed by the Constitution.

THOS. E. BRAMLETTE,
Governor.
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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
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We, Thomas E. Bramlette, Governor, John S. Van Winkle, Secretary of State, and W. T. Samuels, Auditor, certify that we have this day examined the returns from the several counties of this State of the election of Superintendent of Public Instruction, and find that Z. F. Smith received 86,248 votes, Dan Stevenson received 57,578 votes, and R. M. Harney received 14,068 votes.

Whereupon, Z. F. Smith, having received a majority of the votes given at the election held on the 5th day of August, 1867, is duly elected Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Commonwealth for the period fixed by the Constitution.

THOS. E. BRAMLETTE,
Governor.
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Secretary of State.
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Assistant Secretary.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
August 28, 1867.

We, the Governor, Attorney General, and Auditor of Public Accounts of the Secretary of State, being absent, of the State of Kentucky, sitting as a Board to examine the returns of an election in the Third District, composed of said State, on the fifth day of August, 1867, for the office of Representative in the Congress of the United States to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Hon. Green Adams, and it appearing from the returns of said election that Samuel McKee received a majority of all the votes given at said election in said District, and that he is constitutionally entitled to the office, we therefore certify that we have examined the returns made to the office of the Secretary of State of said election on file in said office, and find that A. S. Golladay received six thousand six hundred and thirteen votes; W. T. Buckner received eight hundred and three votes; Samuel McKee received one thousand one hundred and seventy-five votes, and that said Golladay was duly elected Representative in the Congress of the United States from said District to fill said vacancy.

Given under our hands, this August 28, 1867.

THOMAS E. BRAMLETTE,
Governor.
JOHN M. HARLAN,
Attorney General.
WILLIAM T. SAMUELS,
Auditor.

Attest: JAMES R. PAGE, Assistant Secretary.

We, the Governor, Attorney General, and the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Kentucky, sitting as a Board to examine the returns made in the office of the Secretary of State of an election held in the First, Third, and Fourteenth Judicial Districts, and for Circuit Judge in the Third Judicial District, and for Commonwealths Attorney in the Fourth, Ninth, and Twelfth Judicial Districts, do certify that, according to said returns, Edward Crossland received 3,220 votes, and was elected Judge in the Third Judicial District for the office of Judge of the Court of Common Pleas; Alfred Allen received 1,203 votes, and was elected Commonwealth Attorney in the Fourth Judicial District; Silas Adams received 2,483 votes, and Isaac Hunt received 1,936 votes, and was elected Commonwealth Attorney in the Ninth Judicial District; and Henry Pirtle received 1,588 votes, D. Howard Smith received 748 votes, Silas Adams received 723 votes, and Isaac Hunt received 6 votes, and was elected Commonwealth Attorney in the Twelfth Judicial District.

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Governor.
JOHN S. VAN WINKLE,
Secretary of State.
WM. T. SAMUELS,
Auditor.

Attest: JAMES R. PAGE, Assistant Secretary.

We, the Governor, Attorney General, and the Auditor of Public Accounts of the State of Kentucky, sitting as a Board to examine the returns made in the office of the Secretary of State of an election held in the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Judicial Districts, and for Circuit Judge in the Third Judicial District, and for Commonwealths Attorney in the Fourth, Ninth, and Twelfth Judicial Districts, do certify that, according to said returns, Edward Crossland received 3,220 votes, and was elected Judge in the Third Judicial District for the office of Judge of the Court of Common Pleas; Alfred Allen received 1,203 votes, and was elected Commonwealth Attorney in the Fourth Judicial District; Silas Adams received 2,483 votes, and Isaac Hunt received 1,936 votes, and was elected Commonwealth Attorney in the Ninth Judicial District; and Henry Pirtle received 1,588 votes, D. Howard Smith received 748 votes, Silas Adams received 723 votes, and Isaac Hunt received 6 votes, and was elected Commonwealth Attorney in the Twelfth Judicial District.

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COMPARATIVE VOTE OF KENTUCKY.

Official Vote 1865 and 1867.

FIRST DISTRICT.

	1865. Dorsett.	1865. Hudson.	1867. Helm.	1867. Barnes.	1867. Kinkead.
Ballard	1267	141	1120	69	8
Caldwell	805	468	776	243	58
Calloway	1109	186	1001	104	52
Crittenden	556	682	587	665	82
Fulton	622	28	650	6	....
Graves	1588	553	1451	444	47
Hickman	1000	67	885	45	3
Livingston	917	113	619	68	3
Lyon	510	150	448	104	26
Marshall	1268	179	980	117	6
McCracken	1068	207	817	120	27
Trigg	1091	317	1021	24	123
Union	1387	175	1341	147	5
Webster	905	525	852	257	2
Total	13155	3747	12788	2530	446
Whole vote, 1865					17,152
Duvall's majority					9,778
Whole vote, May, 1867					11,568
Trimble's majority					8,011
Whole vote, Aug. 1867					15,461
Helm over Barnes					10,018
Helm over Kinkead					12,255
Helm over both					9,615

SECOND DISTRICT.

Breckinridge	1165	811	1079	429	130
Butler	500	751	433	491	47
Christian	1287	841	1040	586	154
Daviess	1761	1016	1618	1015	120
Edmonson	349	285	295	178	80
Grayson	702	681	707	312	252
Hancock	674	229	704	41	57
Henderson	1151	1098	1088	100	10
Hopkins	1117	517	946	295	9
McLean	586	454	529	93	329
Muhlenburg	1203	696	757	451	20
Ohio	1007	804	865	591	100
Total	11585	8086	10201	5158	1528
Whole vote 1865, 18476; Duvall's majority, 4,176					
Whole vote, May, 1867					12,755
Brown over Diller					7,407
Brown over Smith					5,746
Brown over Bullock					4,591
Whole vote A

EKLY COURIER.
DAY MORNING, - SEPT. 4, 1867.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

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The Danish Minister at Yeddo had been shot at by a native, but escaped uninjured.

MEXICAN ADVICES state that Prince Salm-Salm has been sentenced to seven years' imprisonment.

THE EMPRESSES of Austria and France were to pay a visit of condolence to the mother of Maximilian, at Laeken.

IN THE month of May there were 39,000,000 pounds of cotton shipped from Bombay, valued at $25,587,000.

GEN. ROSECRANS and staff sailed per Arizona Saturday for California.

MRS. JEFFERSON DAVIS arrived at New York Saturday, en route for Canada.

THERE WERE only seven fires in Chicago on Friday last, the total loss being about $180,000.

MADAME RISTORI and her dramatic company sailed for New York on Saturday.

THE FENIAN prisoners, Warren and Nagle, it is understood, have been released by the British government.

TICKET NO. 15,139 drew the $50,000 prize in Murray, Eddy & Co's Covington, Ky., drawing on Saturday.

DAVID DUDLEY FIELD sailed for Europe on Saturday to attend the Social Science Congress at Belfast on the 18th of September.

THE REGISTERED vote of San Francisco numbers about 22,000, of which nearly 11,000 are naturalized.

DR. J. R. LETTERMAN, formerly medical director for the army of the Potomac, is one of the candidates for coroner in San Francisco.

IT is reported that the cholera has broken out at St. Mary's Mission, in Pottowatomie Reserve, Kansas.

CROP REPORTS from the sea islands grow more unfavorable daily. The caterpillars are creating sad havoc.

THE DEATHS in New York for the week were about 500. It is officially reported that there is not a case of yellow fever in the city.

THE LITTLE Baltimore yacht, John T. Ford, was capsized by a sudden squall in the English channel on the 19th ult. Only one man was saved.

THE INSURRECTIONARY government of Candia has notified foreign Consuls of its intention to issue letters of marque.

HEAVY RAINS visited Memphis yesterday and Saturday night, which, if general, will do much good to the late crops in that section.

FOUR TENEMENT houses on the corner of Fourteenth street and Third avenue, Chicago, were destroyed by fire yesterday morning. Loss eleven thousand dollars.

THE STEAMER Galdon, from Fort Denton, 100th, arrived at Omaha with half a million treasure.

Some 2,500 emigrants arrived at New York yesterday.

ADVICES FROM Honolulu state that the reciprocity treaty between the United States and Hawaii has been signed by the King.

THE PRETICUT between Jones and McCabe will take place somewhere in Butler county, Ohio, today. The fight will commence between the hours of 6 and 8 A.M.

IT is rumored that Gen. Sickles will, on retiring from the command of the Second District, leave the army and commence the practice of law in New York.

IT IS reported from Copenhagen that the papers of Denmark are discussing a reported proposition of the United States for the purchase of the island of St. Thomas. They generally favor the project.

SPECIAL ORDERS were issued by Gen. Grant on Saturday to military commanders in the South not to appoint to civil office any person removed by themselves or predecessors in command.

A MINNEAPOLIS gentleman says that a construction train, on the St. Paul and Pacific railroad, ran off the track Friday night, killing one man and wounding 10 or 12.

THE APACHE and Navajoe Indians are committing numerous outrages in New Mexico. They are also troublesome in Utah, and sixteen of them were killed by a party of miners at Sweetwater on the 5th.

J. S. KIRBY, late telegraph operator and agent of the Union Pacific railroad, committed suicide at Americus last Tuesday. It is reported that he was a defaulter to the company in a sum of about $5,000.

MILTON HOPKINS, residing near Philadelphia, Hancock county, Ind., died of hydrophobia yesterday, the result of a bite of a mad dog, received fifty-two days ago. The disease clearly developed itself, attended by the usual horrors.

A LETTER from Dry Tortugas says the number of prisoners there is forty-five, mostly deserters. The conspirators are all well. Arnold is the clerk, Spangler and Mudd are becoming skilled carpenters.

THE EMPEROR of France is an earnest advocate of internal improvements. He has addressed a letter to his Minister of the Interior urging an increase of the means of communication and transportation within the Empire.

LATE ADVICES from Mexico by way of Havana state that the French and British ministers left Vera Cruz on the 14th ult. Santa Anna is imprisoned in the castle of San Juan d'Ulloa, and that nothing is known in regard to his fate.

THE EMPEROR NAPOLEON made a short speech at Amiens on Friday in which he alluded briefly to the Mexican question. He said he hoped that the misunderstanding would embarrass the interests of his race.

THE ORDER relieving Sheridan was issued yesterday by the War Department. He is ordered to proceed without delay to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and relieve Hancock. Maj Gen. Thomas will remain in command of the Department of the Cumberland.

CALEB G. LOGUEN, an old and esteemed merch ant of Boston died yesterday.

TWO HUNDRED and twenty persons registered at the various eighty-cent offices on which were whites.

THERE WERE twenty deaths from yellow fever in New Orleans Wednesday.

A FENIAN was arrested in Nashville yesterday on a charge of committing rape upon the person of two little girls.

THE COLUMBIA has made its appearance in Tipton county, Tennessee, and is carrying off a large number of persons.

JUDGE TOWLE, of the County Court at Williamston, North Carolina, recently gave a decision allowing colored jurors, stating that since the abolition of slavery in 1865, by North Carolina, there was nothing excluding negroes from acting as jurors, and since the civil rights bill was passed by Congress, granting them all the rights of citizenship, they were fully entitled to act in this capacity.

IT IS claimed by the friends of Seward that his services in the Cabinet, in view of sending negotiations for the settlement of the Alabama claims and the acquisition of new territory, are indispensible, and that his resignation would not be accepted even were it tendered.

THE UNITED STATES Revenue officers yesterday seized Brunet & Caspar's vinegar factory. Wurst's grist mill and Kiner & Vliter's refinery, on Spring street, Milwaukee, for frauds on the government.

PREPARATIONS for the Northwestern Sanitary Fair at Indianapolis on the 3d of September are nearly completed. A hall capable of seating 20,000 persons has been erected in Court-house square. A grand banquet will be tendered the visiting members.

SICKLES TELEGRAPHS to Washington that he has never received any order revoking or modifying his Order No. 10, although it was well understood there that such an order had been sent by General Grant.

THE ORDER removing General Howard from the head of the Freedmen's Bureau is expected to be issued on Monday.

BRIDGET DERGEN, the servant girl who murdered her mistress at New Market, N. J., a short time since, was executed yesterday at New Brunswick. Before expiating her crime she made a full confession of her guilt, and exonerated Mary Gilrov, her supposed accomplice.

GEN. POPE has issued an order for an election in Alabama by the first of October on the question of holding a convention and for the election of delegates to the same, for forty election districts. Mobile, Montgomery and Dallas have five delegates each.

THE Savannah Republican says that Governor Sharkey suggests, in view of the conditions of affairs in Washington, and the approval of the loyal States, a meeting together at an early day, and consult in regard to the situation. It also suggests a similar consultation on the part of the managers of the Grand Army of the Republic.

THE TENNESSEE negroes who left Nashville a short time since at the instance of the Conservatives, had a meeting at Columbus, Saturday, at which resolutions were passed demanding the enfranchisement of the whites and the right of the negroes to hold office. There was a demonstration of the Radical negroes to mob the imported orators.

ALBERT BERGER, a son of Rev. Edward Berger, of Galesburg, Ills., and Katherine Harriet Berker, daughter of the late Charles Berker, of Georgetown, Mass., were drowned on Tuesday by by the capsizing of a boat in Pentucket Pond at the latter place. The bodies were recovered.

SOME THREE IN July last, M. Anderson, a clothier of Gottenburg, Sweden, succeeded in smuggling through from Europe to Des Moines, Iowa, seven boxes and two barrels of ready-made clothing and piece goods. The goods were secreted in mattresses, and neatly covered with straw and various household contrivances, and marked household goods. Anderson was arrested in Chicago on Monday.

New Dorian.

We have had the pleasure of an interview with Mr. Placide Benveau, of the city, who left New Iberia Monday morning at 5 o'clock. He informs us that up to Monday morning seventy four deaths from yellow fever had occurred in the village, out of a population of some 1,400. The number, of new cases is eight on an average daily. There are at this moment at least one hundred and fifty persons down with the epidemic, but the disease does not assume a malignant type. Only a single house in New Iberia but has had one case or more, and hardly a single family in the whole village that are not mourning for the loss of one or more of them number. The disease attacks natives and strangers, whites and blacks, indiscriminately, and has been as fatal to one class and color as to another.—[New Orleans Crescent, August 25.

A SPLENDID STORY.

THE PHILOPŒNA

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(Translated from the French by a Lady Expressly for the Louisville Courier.)

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CHAPTER V.

In quitting the General's castle, Wolfsburg trembled for his wager. The conduct of Madame de Linsdorf astonished him. He had seven months engage in a struggle to provoke defeat, but Mathilde did not struggle. He had seen them make a parade of decline to draw forth consolation. She did not consider herself a victim, she only accomplished her duty. It had often happened that Edgar had encountered resistance, armed with tears, protestations and reproaches; but here he was not for the first time with the simplicity and calmness of true virtue. Madame de Linsdorf was the first woman who had inspired him with esteem and respect; and as a believer in the necessity of a sacrifice in love, makes one doubt the charms of the object pursued, doubles the price of the object pursued. Madame de Linsdorf had therefore never appeared so desirable to Edgar, as when he encountered difficulties in obtaining possession of her.

After the departure of Wolfsburg, Mathilde thought of him incessantly. All that surrounded or approached her seemed only to recall him, and she felt a sort of pleasure in the sadness which these souvenirs of him caused. Alone she took these walks to which he had often given a musical hour; alone she contemplated the beauties of nature, and admired the flowers, the stars, and waters; but nature appeared faded, the flowers had lost their perfume, the stars shed light, the waters their transparency. A prey to a troubled sadness, devoured by a vague restlessness, Madame de Linsdorf regretted the departure of Wolfsburg, and had not the approach herself with weakness, and to persuade herself that she had been cowardly thus to fly the appearance of danger which had no real existence.

"In all cases," said she to herself, "it is nobler to resist temptation than to fly from it. I would have opposed to the love of Edgar the religion of duty; I would have made him hear the voice of reason; she forgot that Monsieur de Wolfsburg was not the only one to whom the voice of reason appeared harsh and discordant; I would have forced him to feel for me the same pureand elevated friendship as that I have always preserved for him."

If anything could have enlightened those whom love had already blinded, the following incident would have proved to Madame de Linsdorf that friendship had little to do with the sentiment she experienced for Edgar.

One day as she was lying on a sofa in her chamber she was mechanically following with her eyes one of the women who was unpacking the trunks which her relations had brought from M——. In shaking and folding one of the dresses (that which Madame de Linsdorf had worn to the Princess of D——'s dinner), something struck the floor, a small parcel, which came through the shutters, fell upon it and showed a little object which resembled a nut-shell. Mathilde turned her eyes that way, sprang from her couch, with a slight cry of surprise, ran to the other end of the room, picked up something which she held precipitately in her bosom, that repository of so many, and left the room before her attendant had time to remark that her face was stared as fire, and that her heart beat violently. Madame de Linsdorf traversed the garden, and under her way through a narrow path in the wood she fell, panting and out of breath, at the foot of a tree, then casting a furtive glance around, she drew from her bosom the half-cut nut-shell almond which she contemplated lovingly, whisp ring to herself the word "Philopœna."

How much this word recalled! She examined over and closing her eyes, as if she seemed, as on the night of the ball, to feel his voice. She remained a long time plunged in this melancholy contemplation of the past. At length she sighed and walked slowly homeward.

Four days rolled away, and on the fourth, just as Mathilde was about retiring for the night, a note was brought her. She could not know but guessed who was the writer. It was as follows:

"MADAME: Affairs of importance call me to Vienna. I cannot necessarily postpone my duty, I cannot do so without calling to pay my respects to your husband, and thank him for the many kindnesses and attentions which he has shown me. I shall be there early to-morrow, announcing myself beforehand, in order that you may avoid a disagreeable surprise, and because I owe you this explanation of my conduct. I have not words to express the extent of my duty to society.

"With sentiments of profound esteem, I am, Madame, your obedient servant,

E. DE W."

The General was making a tour of inspection with his overseer, and Madame de Linsdorf was alone. Edgar's name was announced. The conversation was laughed and forced; respectful and cold on Edgar's part; embarrassed and disconnected on hers. Her ill-disguised agitation lost her the game. But Edgar was not slow to profit by it. After having talked for nearly half an hour of insignificant things, he rose to take his leave, but hesitated, and in a voice of deep emotion he said: "Madame, you love me!"

"Me! I love you!" replied she, with a look of ineffable tenderness

After an hour passed in recounting to each other all those little secrets of the heart which are inexplicable for love, Madame de Linsdorf, sitting beside Wolfsburg, let her head rest on his shoulder, and her hand in his, said to him:

"My friend, you asked me just now if I loved you; you own never henceforth doubt my love; you know that at this instant even I would give my heart's blood, all the thoughts of my soul, my happiness, my life, and *all*, except—*honor*."

Mathilde hesitated, cast down her eyes and blushed; then resumed in a firmer tone, "it is because you know that my self-sacrifice is like love, because you cannot doubt life is in the name of this love even that I demand a sacrifice which I will share with you; (for we cannot henceforth feel separately) Edgar, we must never meet again."

"It would be better to forget you also, would it not?"

"Can you do so? Oh no, my beloved, may I never cease to be present in your thoughts, as you will ever be the object of mine. I exact nothing of you to which I am not prepared to submit myself. Love me, for I have vowed to you an eternal love, which can end in my life will pass in lament for you; but swear me, for I would not lose my right to your esteem. Has the feeling you profess for me so much force and intensity in it, that you are necessary to its existence? Is this bodily separation beyond your strength, and do you think that because we cease to be together, your souls will be less united? Swear me, I ask that he was obliged to leave again the same evening to rejoin the Grand Duke at P——."

"By the way, my dear," said he a little while before the departure, "I am a longed astonished that that obstinate Wolfsburg was so determined to leave us. I learned at M—— that he was about to make a fine match: he is to marry a young girl who is noble, rich and beautiful. This is all I know, however, for I only saw him once and he said nothing to me about it."

Everybody in the castle had long been in bed. Mathilde, too restless to sleep, extinguished her lamp and sat by the open window. Her beautiful hair unbound, flowed in ringlets over her shoulders, which were profusely from the night air by a simple white wrapper. The appartment was on the ground floor, and the windows opened upon the garden, which was filled with rare and beautiful flowers.

The clock struck half-past eleven; the night was superb; the moon flooded the earth with her pale light, and surrounded the trees of the forest with a halo of silver. Mathilde sighed as she felt upon her brow the warm, soft breath of night laaded with the perfumes of flowers. There was a time when these beautiful summer nights filled her soul with a holy ecstasy; when, penetrated by the harmonious beauty of the universe, she adored in silence the infinite perfection, the supreme intelligence which gave inanimate nature to man. There was a time when the murmur of the waves as it broke on the shore, or a cloud which floated over the blue expanse of heaven, sufficed to plunge her into those reveries full of vague aspirations toward an unknown ideal, which could never be realized in life. The sense of the infinite engulfed the rays of the moon, the odor of flowers, all said but the same word to her, "love." Music, lights, and perfume, all spoke of love.

Since the departure of the General, what he had said her absent Wolfsburg had not ceased to occupy her. The horrible idea recurred to her mind that Edgar might become irritable from the other, and pursued her like a specter everywhere. She saw Edgar before her, devoting himself to another, his eyes tenderly fixed upon her, and repeating to her those same words of love he had formerly spoken to herself. The punishment became insupportable, and the victim sank under it. The thought that she had lost Edgar's affection for ever, that he would no more receive her expiring in his arms, did more in a few hours to shake her virtue than love alone could have done in days. Good and evil lost their position and their characteristics, and gave place to sophisms bearing their names; duty paled, and principle only white pered its remonstrances; Mathilde, overwhelmed by the violence of her struggles, and by the irresistible thirst for happiness and life. Like a blind man whose sight has been restored only to be taken away again, she desired this light, which had been given her, to be for ever removed. With those strongly marked organizations it is difficult to destroy the need for happiness; she ardently wished for, and desired that it did exist on the earth. Henceforth in her eyes, happiness was Edgar's love; unhappiness his indifference.

"Oh, my beloved, I am!" cried she aloud, and, burying her face in her handkerchief, she burst into tears.

All suffering is a struggle. The human soul can endure a certain pain, but beyond this it overcomes grief, is overwhelmed by it, or ceases to struggle against it, and purchases a provisional peace at the price of utter weakness. The first movement was one of terror for the consequences.

She had wept for some time, when a profound sigh was heard near her. She rose precipitately.

"Who is there?" said she in a low voice.

"Philopœna, beloved!" replied the voice of a man, and Edgar, for it was he, appeared at the window. The first movement was one of frantic joy. Forgetting everything in the delight which the sight of her lover caused her, she threw herself in his arms. Frightened by surprise, and by the tears, her despondent palpitating with emotion, in a tremb ling and passionate tone she exclaimed:

"Do you love me, Edgar?"

A burning kiss was the only reply.

Mathilde had been right in saying to De Linsdorf that the best way to get rid of persons it they *willed* to do so, but they have two wills. The one they know immediately; the other of which they are unconscious, influences them in the most unaccountable manner. She had wished to resist, but she wished to no longer; or it would be better to say that she no longer had the power to wish it; she still had the same strength, though already a master hand held the reins in its grasp.

The first rays of morning which flushed the East, found Wolfsburg still with Mathilde.

"You have never forgotten me then," said she. "That which was told me was not true."

"Never me, Mathilde," replied Wolfsburg, with the accent of truth; "not only have I never forgotten thee for a single instant, but only have I never loved but thee in all my life; but now that I love thee until then I could not help it, and that I have come to my body, my soul, my whole being belongs to thee, to do with it as thou will. Tell me to stay, I will stay, tell me to fly to the utter-most ends of the earth, I will depart." Here she stopped, a tear shone in his eye, and he continued in a less assured voice, "Tell me to go and never see thee again, I will obey. Poor child, I owe it to you."

Mathilde remained silent a moment, then throwing her arms around her lover's neck, with an indescribable tenderness said: "Edgar, do you think that you could live without sight of one and *her*? You shall not be alone in generosity. I, too, will place my destiny in thy hands—dispose of my future; I desire it there, and I will accept it as a gift. I care not for reputation, save that thou will guard it better than myself, and that since thou lovest me, that thou dost will be for the best. They still remained to fly together, but at last it was necessary to say farewell.

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——Mary Murphy, up for a disorderly and we'll defend against Kelsey, failed to appear, and $300 bond for six months. She went to Beargrass to amuse herself until after Christmas.

Augustus Kessler, Esq., was drunk on bone brewed beer, but had no business to be dinging boulders around the streets to the danger of pedestrians. He was fined $5 and held in $100 bond for thirty days.

The court then wound itself up for the day, and left to spend the Sabbath in a Christian like manner.

Kentucky Farmers' Association.

In accordance with the announcement made at the previous meeting and through the press, the farmers of Jefferson county interested in the establishment of a Farmers' Association, met at their rooms over Walker's Exchange on Saturday afternoon.

After some preliminary business the special committee appointed at the previous meeting, reported as follows:

With a view to mutual improvement, and for the purpose of acquiring a correct and practical knowledge of the best mode of agriculture, founded upon experience and the application of well-established truths, we, the undersigned do hereby establish at the city of Louisville, county of Jefferson, Ky., a Board of Agriculture and Farmers' Exchange, the general designs and duties of which shall be to acquire and to diffuse among the citizens useful information on subjects connected with agriculture, in the most general and comprehensive sense of that word; to ameliorate the system of culture, and the infusion of a system by which the producer will be enabled to realize fair prices with the least possible hindrance.

W. R. S. MURRAY,
BOYD WINCHESTER,
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This report being received, Mr. Prather made a motion which was explained that a committee of three from every precinct of the county be appointed, to solicit farmers to join in the movement, the committee to report at the next meeting. The following gentlemen were appointed:

Harrod's creek—Mr. Buffenmire, Dr. Murray, T. Blankenbaker's.

Hilo-ton district—John Y. Letherton, Dock Smith, Dr. Pence.

Middletown—L. L. Dorsey, S. Burr, R. Vance, Silliman's—R. S. Veach, Wallace Herr, J. D. Parks.

Fisherville—John Gilliland, Mat. Eagland, Dr. Reed.

Schardine's—Dr. Thornberry, Dr. Bohnnon, J. Shardine.

Cane Run—Gov. Meriwether, James Muxing, David Bell.

Johnsontown—R. Bohngan, Dr. Foss, Lan Morman.

Woods'—Elias Wood, Ely P. Forman, Luz Wood.

Shively's—J. G. Balee, Judge Garr, John V. Kline.

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Hicks-mille House—John Burke, M. Shreve, Ed. Hickes.

Hays'—Squire Hays, S. H. Lewis.

Cross Roads—Dr. Standiford, James Graham, John Robb.

Spring Garden—E. D. Standiford, L. Prather, Ed. Noyes.

Blankenbaker's—H. Blankenbaker, D. Blankenbaker, Newton Gear.

The meeting then adjourned until Saturday, September 14th.

THE COAL FIELDS OF KENTUCKY.—At the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Prof. Worthen presented a paper on the coal fields of the West, in which report says he estimates that the Kentucky geologists had made a serious mistake in their section, by which they counted four workable beds more than actually existed. As this conclusion was drawn from comparison of the Illinois section with those of Kentucky, it was pointed out by several members that the continuity of coal beds cannot be relied on. As Dawson expressed it, they are like our swamps. They have their edges, their islands, their interruptions of various kinds.

Lexington has forty-two licensed drinking saloons and twelve churches.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION!

A New York Pugilist Attacked and Almost Cut to Piece; at a Bagnio.

His Assailant Headed off by a Burnt Cork Professional.

Yesterday morning about 1 o'clock a man named John Gault, a New York pugilist, was attacked and almost cut to pieces by a gang headed by Charles Collins, better known as "Collins, the Cure," at a house of prostitution kept by one Madame Len Riley, on Lafayette street. The circumstances as near as we can gather them are these: Collins was employed at the Academy of Music, as a general man in the variety business, until within a couple of weeks past, when he went off eastward. Returning on Wednesday, he was informed by a meddlesome friend that Gault, who had been a pal of his before he went away, was making up to his paramour. This led to some words between the parties Thursday evening, and led to Gault's insulting the party who told Collins that he had slandered him. Collins and his friend and a party of young loafers were all on a big drunk on Thursday night, and attempted to assault Gault at the Ballard House about 11 o'clock P. M., but some persons near by came to his rescue, and he got away from them.

About 10 o'clock yesterday morning after drinking around the city and getting quite drunk, the party, headed by Collins, went up to Madame Riley's with the express determination of getting Gault out and beating him, and if he resisted, of killing him. They knocked at the door of the bagnio, and on their call being answered, sent word up to Gault telling him to come down and join them as they were going serenading. Gault is a very good singer, and anticipating no difficulty, but expecting to serenade an the former difficulty with Collins, he came down stairs and as he stepped out they set upon him, stabbed him five times in the abdomen and side, and beat him over the head with a club, fracturing his skull. His cries, and those of the women of the house who tried to interfere, attracted the police, and the party of assassins fled.

Collins was arrested yesterday morning by the police, and presented in the City Court, but his case was set for examination next Monday. Several other members of the party were arrested yesterday, and committed to the station-house.

Gault was removed to the City Hospital, but his wounds are so serious that he is not expected to recover.

☞ Hon. John B. Clarke, of Bracken, was elected Senator from the counties of Bracken and Pendleton, at the late election. He is a gentleman of the old long Democratic mold, and will prove an honor to his constituents. He was elected without opposition.—[Maysville Bulletin.

THE RIVER was slowly rising yesterday, with 9 feet 1 inches water in the canal, and tending to a rise. This is a rise of one inch at the head of the falls, and three inches at Portland. The weather was warm Sunday and cloudy in the evening, indicating falling weather, and yesterday was cloudy and cool with a light sprinkling of rain. A rise of two feet in the river is much needed, and would prove highly beneficial to the agricultural, commercial and boating interests.

At Cincinnati the river Saturday evening was slowly swelling, the first effects of the late Pittsburg rises, and we may hope for a rise of a few inches at the head of the falls, and a much greater movement in the navigation on the Lower Ohio.

The stage of water along the Lower Ohio is about the same as was reported last week-date; and that advice reads: Best stretch since low water.

At 9 A. M. by the clock in the cathedral tower, the ponderous doors of the municipal Star Chamber swung on their hinges, and the anxious crowd rushed in and occupied the seats. In a few minutes there was standing room only, and very little of that. After a profound and painful silence of a few minutes more the hammer tapped, and the noble form of His Honor was directly seen sitting cross-legged behind the elevated counter, looking as if he was expecting somebody to arrive.

The clerk then opened a new case and collected all the morose silk-sacqued gracefuls to and took a seat on the bench. Her face was rather dimly lighted up by a gas-jet, but she looked as drunks, and attempting to play nuscel ne like old Mrs. Cary Sanford—she wanted to wear berenice and have it worn in the government the Republic. She was found weeping over the indecent exposure she have been subjecting to their last time to their elevation. On this like, and in this mood she became elevated herself, and that language she uses freely around her when she is streaming behind, until she looked like what they call a Pythmer. She screamed:

"Oh, you men, you men, and deseeyin;

You brute weak wimmin's hearts, an' leave em sighin', an' sorin'.

But you don't make me.

About this time she saw a human, with bifurcated garments, coming along, and she determined to have recognized him during the early days of the whole he was one of them horrid police, and ignored her. She therefore let fly at him a foot apple, as he approached, but as he jumped back, she recovered the equilibrium of her stay, knew he was one of them horrid police, and ignored her. She was then subjected to a repetition of cold mud to her face, and thence was brought to court. As she pleaded earnestly, His Honor let her off, and she went home, but at last it was necessary to say farewell.

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There has been no material change in prices this week, yet we consider the fluctuations almost daily. In prices of the leading articles of consumption. Transactions have been steady all the month, though not as heavy in breadstuffs and provisions as heretofore, still we can make that the demand for corn has been wholly confined to the local trade for home consumption. The grain crops of the South have turned out a failure, and the planting people have been subsisting on their own products for some time, with a handsome surplus over, in large amount of which has been shipped to the Northern market.

The tobacco market has had more than the usual interest this week, with a very notable advance obtained early in the week on all grades, which was still sustained to the close, as will be seen on referring to the summary. The main feature in the market has been the receipt and sales of the new crop, which in favored localities has matured nearly two months sooner than usual, and fully one month earlier than we have known it to be in marketable condition for several years. Sales of the new crop from Ballard and Hart counties were at prices ranging from $16 50 to $28 75.00 medium to fair cutting or manufacturing leaf. These are regarded as remarkably good prices for the quality of the leaf offered.

In reference to the extent of the crop, it is pretty well understood that but about two-thirds of the usual area was planted this year. In addition to this, much of the last stand of plants, owing to wet weather, was not set out until late in the season, all of which is liable to be more or less injured by the fall frosts. It cannot be cut or housed until October, and early or heavy frosts in the meantime may very seriously damage the crop, and shorten the estimates. Under this impression the market has generally ruled strong, though imparlive entertain the belief that the crop, though not up to a fair average in quantity, will be much larger than anticipated.

The fall season commences with the incoming week and we notice that the leading merchants in the wholesale trade in all departments have ample stocks on hand to fully meet the requirements of an increased trade over that of any previous season. The establishment of once more of packet lines along the river channels of trade, as of yore, is sure to contribute to the general advancement of the city. A full and probably a daily line of swift New Orleans boats will be on the track in the fall, and the Louisville and Tennessee river, and the Louisville and White river packets have commenced making regular weekly trips, the good results of which are already apparent in an increased trade to that quarter.

The New York bulletins of Friday has the following in reference to the Dry Goods market:

The dry goods market is moderately active in all departments. The dullness in the market for the raw material, and the expected increased production of cotton from the coming crop, has led to a rise in some instances to expect easier rates. There is too, a wish to realize exhibited with all large jobbers, but no decided change in prices is reported to-day.

The Western and Southwestern trade has been round lots at 26c per pound, and the sales of wool and the amount of goods going to the large cities is quite considerable. The smaller merchants are not yet very much in the market.

Prints and domestics are in most request, with a growing business in flannels and woolen goods. The depression of some kinds of woolen goods, as Cottonades, Linseys, Kentucky Jeans, &c., have declined slightly on some well known makes.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trade takes place during Change hours Monday, and all the officers, as well as members, are expected to attend. The report of the special committees in reference to the Farmer's Club Association is to be received and acted upon.

The New York dispatches to the Board of Trade quoted cotton, sugar and whiskey unchanged. Coffee and flour quiet but steady. Wheat steady; amber at $2 20@2 25; white at $2 40@2 45. Corn is good demand and prices have advanced; sales of prime at $1 16; choice at $1 17½. Mess pork steady at $21 25. Bacon quiet but firm. Cut meats—stock is light, which causes much firmness in prices; shoulders at 11½@11¾; hams 15½@15c. The Cincinnati dispatch quoted wheat dull at $2 13@2 15. Corn—the receipts being light and not equal to the demand, prices have advanced to $1 05@1 07. Oats in fair demand, and prices firm at 57c. Whiskey very firm, and holders are asking higher rates at 32c in bond. Provisions quiet but firm. Mess pork inactive at $23 25@24 50. Lard dull at 15½c. Bulk meats—demand active at full prices; shoulders at 11½c, rides 15½c. Bacon firm; shoulders at 12½c, sides 15c, clear rib sides 13¾@13¾c, clear sides 15@16c; hams dull, plain at 17½c, sugar cured 20½@21c. Flour unchanged.

The New Orleans dispatch quoted cotton market irregular at 28@28½c. Coffee and sugar quiet but firm. Flour market weak but demand moderate; superfine at $8 75. Hay at $28@30; oats 90c. Corn quiet but steady at $1@1 05. Oats inactive and prices drooping at 62½@65c. Mess pork demand active at full prices; sales at $26 50. Lard dull and prices are tending downward at 12½c. Bacon, molasses and tobacco unchanged.

The St. Louis dispatch quoted mess pork at $24 50. Lard unchanged. Bacon—clear sides at 16½c; shoulders at 12½c; clear rib sides unquoted. Whiskey at $8 25@5 75; double extra at $9@10 50; choice and fancy at $11@12. Wheat unchanged at $2 15@2 25. Corn—yellow and white at $1@1 05; choice white at $1 08. Oats at 56@56c.

The Chicago dispatch quoted flour quiet but steady. Wheat—demand moderate and prices firm; spring No. 2 at $1 66. Oats—demand moderate and prices firm at 44½. Rye quiet but firm. No. 2 at $1 01½@1 06; No. 1 at $1 10. Mess pork and lard unchanged.

MONETARY.

Money has been more abundant during this week, and all good paper readily taken at ¼ per cent., while others are by the banks not taken at all; when offered on the street or to brokers are accommodated at 1 to 1½ per cent.

Gold is only offered in small amounts, and in fair demand, the closing rates in New York being 144¾.

Government securities are dull, and few transactions were made. Eastern exchange is the same, and ranging from par to 1-10 premium.

Local stocks and bonds are in demand with many, and considerable amounts were bought and sold during the week. L. & N. R. R. stock, very in demand at prevailing prices, while L. & F. R. R. stock has advanced 4 per cent. National Banks are still dull, while others freely inquired for and prices have advanced. We quote as follows:

Corrected by Morton, Gault & Co., Bankers, No. 150 WEST MAIN STREET.

	Buying.	Selling.
Gold	144	145
Silver dollars	140	142
Silver half and quarters	140	142
Street drafts and bill drafts	1	1½
GOVERNMENT BONDS.		
Five-twenties, 1862	111	111½
Five-twenties, 1865	110	111
New Five-twenties	106½	106¾
Seven-thirties	105¾	105¾
Ten-forties	102	103
COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES.		
Compound Interest, June, 1864		119
Compound Interest, July, 1864		119
Compound Interest, August, 1864		119
Compound Interest, October, 1864		118½
Compound Interest, December, 1864		118½
Compound Interest, May, 1865		117½
Compound Interest, November, 1864		112½
Compound Interest, April, 1865		112
Compound Interest, October, 1865		111
BONDS.		
City for str't improvement	98	City for sch'l purposes 81
" " bonds	100	" " water works 83
" " wharf	87	" " L. & N. R. R. 83
Ky. State bonds (old)	98	Ky. State bonds (new) 90
Ky. State bonds (new)	93	Water works bonds 85
Street Railway (city)	99	Bank City Tom. bank 70
" " (county)	99	Louisville bonds 74
Canal bonds (short)	124	Jeff. R. R. bonds 75
L. & N. R. R. (m. No.)	108	L. & S. R. R. (m. No.) 61
L. & N. R. R. (L. No.)	99	L. & F. R. R. (m. No.) 56
STOCKS.		
National bk., first	100	National bk., second 103½
" " Louisville	100	" " Louisville 105½
Bank of Ky	100	Bank of Louisville 103½
Merchants' bank	101	Northern bank 1 2
Citizens' bank	95	People's bank 105
Commercial bank	99	Bank City Tom. bank 70
Mechanics' bank	101	Wash'n financial bk. 60
Farmers' bank	95	Franklin bank 100
Wash'n Co. bank	99	Germania bk. (Cin.) 90
Farmers' bank	95	Security bank 100
L. & N. R. R.	82	L. & L. R. R. 61
Citizens' Pass.

WEEKLY COURIER.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, - SEPT. 4, 1867.

A JANITOR IN TROUBLE.

HE PLAYETH MAYOR

And Attempteth to Take Advantage of His Official Robes Upon a Female.

And Finally Goes Into the Drawer to Make a Municipal Disbursement.

For sometime past Charles Janet has been employed as janitor of the city buildings, and by keeping on the good side of the members of the General Council managed to get them to confer upon him the power or arrest. Every few weeks during his entire term of service complaints have been coming into the Mayor's hands, concerning the ill-usage people received when applying at the Mayor's office to see his Honor or the Assistant Corporation Counsel. Charles took care of the Mayor's office, and when his Honor was absent, he thought that he should and would occupy the municipal seat. It has turned out to be no seat of roses to him.

About three weeks ago a couple of ladies applied at the Mayor's office to see his Honor, but the Mayor was not in, and Charley, feeling his capacity for the office, in answer to the inquiry for Mayor Tompert, placed his hand upon the left breast of his linen duster and said in his blandest tones "I'm the Mayor, ladies. What do you want?" They explained their business, and his Honor *pro tem.* gave them a great deal of satisfaction by promising the matter his whole attention.

One of the ladies was young and fair, and he thought that as Mayor he would like to possess himself of her, and exchange honors for sweet and bewitching smiles, &c. He therefore called her to one side and told her that he could transact business much better with her, by herself, and asked her to return the next day at four o'clock, and "leave that old woman at home."